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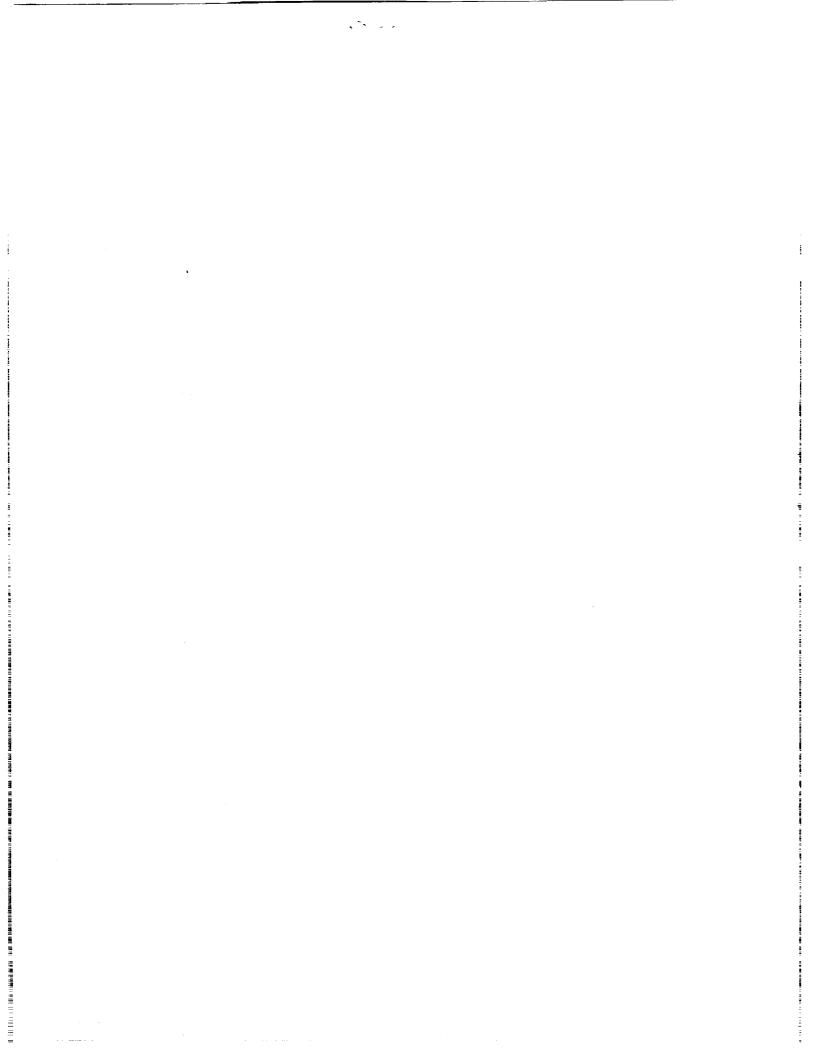
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TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

ATMOSPHERIC ENVIRONMENT FOR SPACE SHUTTLE ATLANTIS (STS-43) LAUNCH

I. INTRODUCTION

This report presents an evaluation of the atmospheric environmental data taken during the launch of the Space Shuttle Atlantis/STS-43 vehicle. This space shuttle vehicle was launched from pad 39A at Kennedy Space Center (KSC), Florida, on a flight azimuth of 90° east of north, at 1502 u.t. (1102 e.d.t.) on August 2, 1991.

This report presents a summary of the atmospheric environment at launch time (L+0) of the STS-43, together with the sequence of prelaunch Jimsphere-measured winds-aloft profiles from L-3 h through lift-off. The general atmospheric situation for the launch and flight area is described, and surface and upper level wind/thermodynamic observations near launch time are given. Since a ship was unavailable for STS-43 duty, the solid rocket booster (SRB) descent/impact atmospheric data were not taken. However, one can use the STS-43 ascent data for SRB studies as the best substitute.

Previous MSFC-related launch vehicle atmospheric environmental conditions have been published as appendix A of individual MSFC Saturn Flight Evaluation Working Group reports. Office memorandums have been issued for previous flights giving launch pad wind information. A report has also been published which summarizes most launch atmospheric conditions observed for the past 155 MSFC/ABMA-related vehicle launches through SA-208 (Skylab 4). Reports summarizing ASTP, STS-1 through STS-40 launch conditions are presented in references 3 through 37, respectively. Table 1 gives the atmospheric L+0 launch conditions for all the space shuttle missions.

II. SOURCES OF DATA

Atmospheric observational data used in this report were taken from synoptic maps made by the National Weather Service, plus all available surface observations and measurements from around the launch area. Upper air observations were taken from balloon-released instruments sent aloft from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station (CCAFS). High-altitude winds and thermodynamic data were measured by rocketsondes launched from the CCAFS. Table 2 presents a listing of systems used to obtain the upper level wind profiles used in compiling the final ascent atmospheric data tape. Data cutoff altitudes are also given in table 2.

III. GENERAL SYNOPTIC SITUATION AT LAUNCH TIME

A ridge of high pressure just east of Florida and an area of low pressure moving west from northwest Florida dominated the Cape Kennedy region during the launch of STS-43. Moderate southerly winds were prevalent at the surface prior to the lift-off of STS-43. Figure 1 depicts the surface map 3 h 2 min before the launch. Southwesterly winds dominated the flow

aloft over the KSC region. Figure 2 shows the winds aloft condition at the 500-mb level 3 h 2 min before the launch of STS-43.

Clouds were scattered over the launch area prior to and during the launch of STS-43. Figure 3 depicts the GOES-7 visible satellite picture at 1501 u.t. (1 min before the lift-off) with 500-mb heights denoted in meters and wind barbs superimposed. Figure 4 gives an up-close shot of the Florida peninsula as recorded by GOES-7 also taken at 1501 u.t. with surface data of temperature and wind barbs superimposed.

IV. SURFACE OBSERVATIONS AT LAUNCH TIME

Surface observations at launch time for selected KSC locations are given in table 3. Included are pad 39A, shuttle runway, and CCAFS balloon release station observations. Neither precipitation nor lightning was observed at launch time.

Table 4 presents pad 39A wind data along with other standard hourly atmospheric measurements and sky observations for the 6-h period prior to launch of STS-43. Values for wind speed and direction are given for the 18-m (60-ft) pad light pole level.

V. UPPER AIR MEASUREMENTS DURING LAUNCH

The FPS-16 Jimsphere (1517 u.t.), MSS Rawinsonde (1432 u.t.), Super-Loki rocketsonde (1645 u.t.), and Super-Loki Robin (1603 u.t.) were used to measure the upper-level wind and thermodynamic parameters for STS-43 launch. At altitudes above the rocket-measured data, the Global Reference Atmosphere Model (GRAM)³⁸ parameters for July KSC conditions were used. A tabulation of the STS-43 final atmospheric data for ascent is presented in table 5 which lists the wind and thermodynamic parameters versus altitude. A brief summary of parameters is given in the following paragraphs.

A. Wind Speed

At launch time, wind speeds were 16.9 ft/s (10.0 kn) at the 60-ft level and increased to a maximum of 77.1 ft/s (45.7 kn) at 38,100 ft (11,613 m). Wind speeds decreased above this level with a minimum of 16.1 ft/s (9.5 kn) recorded at 51,500 ft (15,697 m). The wind speeds increased consistently above the 51,500-ft (15,697-m) level, and the next maximum wind speed of 204.2 ft/s (120.9 kn) occurred at 190,000 ft (57,912 m). Wind speeds decreased to a minimum of 25.3 ft/s (15.0 kn) at 204,000 ft (62,179 m). Above this altitude, wind speeds increased to a maximum of 167.1 ft/s (98.9 kn) at the 243,000-ft (74,066-m) level. Wind speeds generally decreased above this level, and the last measurable windspeed was 74.3 ft/s (44.0 kn) at 282,000 ft (85,954 m). The left side of figure 5 depicts the wind speed versus altitude profile.

B. Wind Direction

At launch time, the 60-ft wind direction was from the south and maintained a southerly component throughout the 22,300-ft (6,797-m) altitude. The wind direction took on an easterly component at the 22,400-ft (6,828-m) level and shifted to the north at the 206,000-ft (62,789-m)

altitude. Above this level the winds shifted through the northeast and the last measurable wind direction was from the east at 282,000 ft (85,954 m). The right side of figure 5 presents the wind direction versus altitude profile.

C. Prelaunch/Launch Wind Profiles

Prelaunch/launch wind profiles given in figures 6 through 9 were measured by the Jimsphere FPS-16 system. Data are shown for four measurement periods beginning at L-3 h and extending through L+15 min. The wind speed and direction profiles for the 3-h period prior to and including L+15 min are shown in figures 6 and 7.

The in-plane (head-tail wind) and out-of-plane (left-right crosswind) profiles are given in figures 8 and 9. The in-plane profiles (fig. 8) show a slight tail wind component near and below 20,000 ft and a head wind component for all other altitudes. The out-of-plane profiles (fig. 9) depict right crosswind values near or below 26,000 ft and generally left crosswind values at all other altitudes.

D. Thermodynamic Data

The thermodynamic data, taken at STS-43 launch time, consisted of atmospheric temperature, dew-point temperature, pressure, and density. These data have been compiled as the STS-43 ascent atmospheric data and are presented in table 5. Missing data are indicated by -9999.00 in table 5. The vertical structure of temperature and dew-point temperature for STS-43 ascent are shown graphically versus altitude in figure 10.

E. SRB Upper Air and Surface Measurements

As has been mentioned in the introduction, since there was no ship available, an SRB descent atmospheric data tape has not been constructed. The tabular values for the ascent atmospheric tape, as presented in table 5, should be used for SRB descent/impact studies since it is the closest measured data source.

Table 1. Selected atmospheric observations for the flights of the space shuttle vehicles.

| | | Countdown and Launch Comments of Meteorological Significance | | | Wind directional change observed at Pad just priorto L+0. Onset of sea breeze | | | | | 17-min countdown delay due to adverse weather conditions. | | | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| SI | | Dir. (°) | 250 | 286 | 250 | 328 | 336 | 277 | 278 | 349 | 252 | 288 | 289 | 270 | 303 |
| Inflight Conditions | Max. Wind Below 60,000 ft | Speed (ft/s) | 88 | 158 | 611 | 37 | 146 | 155 | 76 | 8 | 117 | 143 | 176 | 4 | 78 |
| Inflight | Ma Belov | Altitude (ft) | 44,300 | 36,300 | 45,000 | 47,900 | 40,600 | 46,100 | 45,900 | 45,100 | 47,100 | 38,200 | 37,700 | 40,300 | 40,600 |
| | Windb | Dir. (°) | 120 120 | 345 355 | 50° 145° | 1338 | 88 | 63 55 | 10° 350° | 269 | 183 | ٥× | 320 275 | 39 | 73 58 |
| suo | Wi | Speed (ft/s) | 11.8 | 27.0 | 7.0° | 5.88 4.98 | 35.0 | 12.7 16.4 | 5.9° 10.3° | 8.8 | 19.1 | 0.0 X | 21.5 | 3.6 | 16.5 14.8 |
| Surface Observations | | Ref. Hum. (%) | 82 | 61 | 11 | 02 | 89 | 55 | 80 | 6 | 8 | 27 | 56 | 81 | 8 |
| Surface | Thermodynamic ^a | Temp. | 21 | 23 | 22 | 82 | ដ | 23 | 25 | 42 | 8 | 17 | 16 | 56 | ß |
| | Therm | Pressure ^c N/cm ² | 10.234 ^d | 10.166 | 10.160 | 10.200 | 10.227 | 10.183 | 10.146 | 10.111 | 10.153 | 10.173 | 10.149 | 10.172 | 10.210 |
| | | Time (EST) Nearest Minute | 0700 | 1010 | 1100 | 1100 | 6170 | 1330 | 0733 ^f | 0232 ^f | 1100 | 0080 | 0858 | 0842 ^f | 0703 ^f |
| | Vehicle Data ^h | Launch Date | 4/12/81 | 11/12/81 | 372782 | 6727/82 | 11/11/82 | 4/4/83 | 6/18/83 | 8/30/83 | 11/28/83 | 2/3/84 | 4/6/84 | 8/30/84 | 10/5/84 |
| | Vehic | Vehicle No. | STS-1 Columbia | STS-2 Columbia | STS-3 Columbia | STS-4 Columbia | STS-5 Columbia | STS-6 Challenger | STS-7 Challenger | STS-8 Challenger | STS-9 (SL-1) Columbia | STS-11 (41-B) Challenger | STS-13 (41-C) Challenger | STS-41D Discovery | STS-41G Challenger |
| | | Seq. No. | 1 | 7 | 8 | 4 | \$ | 9 | 7 | ∞ | ō, | 10 | = | 12 | 13 |

Table 1. Selected atmospheric observations for the flights of the space shuttle vehicles (continued).

| | , | Countdown and Launch Comments of Meteorological Significance | 1-day delay due to excessive wind loads, calculated at high altitudes. | 1-day delay due to extreme cold surface temperatures. | 55-min delay due to a ship in the SRB impact area, and concerns over potential weather-related impacts (cloud cover). | | | | 20. 8/24 launch scrub due to unacceptable weather in launch area. Rain during countdown | | 24. 1/7 launch scrub due to | 1/10 launch scrub due to heavy rain in launch area. | 25. 1/26 launch scrub due in part to potential bad weather associated with frontal passage. 1/27 launch | acrub due in part to strong cross winds at X68. 1/28 2-h delay due in part to cold early morning temps. | 26. 1-h and 37-min delay due to light winds aloft. |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--|--|---|---|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---|------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| 80 | | Ç. | m | 592 | 265 | 320 | % Z% | 885 | 123 | 283 | 218 | 2,0 | 263 | 264 | 35 56 |
| Inflight Conditions | Max. Wind Below 60,000 ft | Speed (f/s) | 131 | <u>8</u> 61 | 134 | 88 | ጽጽ | 53 | 43 | 84 | 81 | 75 | 122 | 174 | 4 |
| Inflight | Ma Belov | Altitude (ft) | 33,100 | 42,900 | 42,600 | 32,900 40,700 | 40,100 46,700 | 48,000 | 41,000 | 48,000 | 43,000 | 49,300 | 40,000 | 42,000 | 53,100 |
| | Windb | Dit. | 4 2 01 | ង្គន | 82 82 | 337 | 12 X | 101 113 | 829 830 | 213 171 | 217 174 | 165 112 | 323 | 331 | 047 |
| 800 | Win | Speed (fVs) | 23.0 | 17.1 15.5 | 19.9 22.3 | 11.5 18.4 | 2.9 11.8 | 149 13.4 | 14.2 16.6 | 17.0 13.7 | 12.7 | 10.1 | 15.4 | 20.1 15.3 | 13.7 13.5 |
| Surface Observations | 4, | Rai. Hum. (%) | 59 | 94 | 55 | જ | 16 | 27 | * | ۶ | 5 | 25 | 3 | 23 | \$6 |
| Surface | Thermodynamic* | Temp. | 20 | 18 | 72 | ĸ | ឌ | 87 | 24 | 8 | 88 | 8 | 23 | en | क्ष |
| | Therm | Pressure ^c N/cm ² | 10.227 | 10.173 | 10.257 | 10.128 | 10.201 | 10.174 | 10.225 | 10.185 | 10.059 | 10.202 | 10.206 | 10.253 | 10.182 |
| | | Time (EST) Nearest Minute | 0715 | 1450 | 1359 | 1202 ^f | 07334 | 1700{ | 98590 | 1115 | 1200 | 1929 | 0655 | 1138 | 1137 |
| | Vehicle Datah | Launch Date | 11/8/84 | 1/24/85 | 4/12/85 | 472/85 | 6/17/85 | 7/29/85 | 8/2//85 | 10/3/85 | 10/30/85 | 11/26/85 | 1/12/86 | 1/28/86 | 9/29/88 |
| | Vehic | Vehicle No. | STS-51A Discovery | STS-51C Discovery | STS-51D Discovery | STS-51B Challenger | STS-51G Discovery | STS-51F Challenger | STS-511 Discovery | STS-51J Atlantis | STS-61A Challenger | STS-61B Atlantis | STS-61C Columbia | STS-51L ⁱ Challenger | STS-26 Discovery |
| | | ş, ş | 14 | 15 | 16 | 7.1 | 82 | 61 | 82 | 21 | z | ឌ | 8 | 22 | 26 |

Table 1. Selected atmospheric observations for the flights of the space shuttle vehicles (continued).

| 1 | | | | | Surface | Surface Observations | sac | | ınflight | inflight Conditions | sa | |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|--|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------|---|
| | Vehic | Vehicle Data ^h | | Therm | Thermodynamic ^a | | Windb | ą. | Ma Belov | Max. Wind Below 60,000 ft | | |
| | Vehicle No. | Launch Date | Time (EST) Nearest Minute | Pressure ^c N/cm ² | Temp. | Rel. Hum. (%) | Speed (fVs) | Dir. | Altitude (ft) | Speeed (fv/s) | .j. C | Countdown and Launch Comments of Meteorological Significance |
| ł | STS-27 Atlantis | 12/2/88 | 930 | 10.270 | 14 | 20 | 25.5 | 314 352 | 40,200 | 187 | 245 | 27. 1-day delay due to excessive wind loads, calculated at high altitudes |
| 78j | STS-29 Discovery | 3/13/89 | 756 | 10.190 | 18 | 78 | 16.9 | 242 | 45,200 | 105 | 283 | 28. 2-h delay due to fog and strong winds aloft |
| joj | STS-30 Atlantis | 5/4/89 | 1437 [£] | 10.200 | 56 | 57 | 21.6 | 108 | 44,200 | 157 | 255 | 29. 59-min delay due to cloud couer the launch area |
| 30 <u>i</u> | STS-28 Columbia | 8/8/89 | 0837 ^f | 10.120 | 7.7 | 8 | 12.5 | 252 | 24,100 | 35 | 786 | |
| 31j | STS-34 Atlantis | 10/18/89 | 1254 | 10.152 | 90 | 22 | 13.5 | 153 | 45,800 47,100 | 61 | 25 83 26 83 | 31. 1-day delay due to rain showers in launch area. |
| 32 | STS-33 Discovery | 11/22/89 | 1924 | 10.132 | 19 | 08 | 16.9 | 208 | 41,900 | 110 | 237 | |
| 33 | STS-32 Columbia | 1/9/90 | 0735 | 10.194 | 12 | 81 | 8.9 | 246 | 43,800 | 160 | 242 | 33. 1-day delay due to cloud cover over the launch area. |
| 32 | STS-36 Atlantis | 2/28/90 | 0250 | 10.268 | 18 | 11 | 23.6 | 72 | 41,600 | 171 | 780 | 34. 6-day delay due partially to showers and cloud cover over |
| 351 | STS-31 Discovery | 4/24/90 | 0834(| 10.186 | 22 | 63 | 18.6 | 08 | 31,300 | 8 | 307 | |
| 36 | STS-41 Discovery | 10/6/90 | 0747 | 10.176 | 7.7 | 73 | 23.6 | 8 | 41,300 | 98 | 283 | |
| 37 | STS-38 Atlantis | 11/15/90 | 1848 | 10.254 | 21 | 63 | 28.7 | 3 | 41,500 | 148 | 273 | |
| 36 | STS-37 Atlantis | 4/5/91 | 0923 | 10.256 | 23 | 2 | 18.6 | 74 | 46,400 | 149 | 262 | |
| 5 | STS-39 Discovery | 4/28/91 | 0733f | 10.149 | 73 | 95 | 12.8 | 191 | 51,200 | 55 55 | 25 E2 | |

Table 1. Selected atmospheric observations for the flights of the space shuttle vehicles (continued).

| | | Countdown and Launch Comments of Meteorological Significance | | 42. 1-day delay due to surface winds and thunderstorms in the area. | |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------|---|-------|
| DS . | | Ç. | 265 | 98 | |
| Inflight Conditions | Max. Wind Below 60,000 ft | Speeed (ft/s) | 8 | 11 | |
| Inflight | Ma Belov | Altitude (ft) | 8,300 | 38,100 | |
| | pqp | Dir. | 234 | 170 | |
| ons | Windb | Speed (fu/s) | 6.8 | 169 | · · · |
| Surface Observations | 4 | Rel. Hum. (%) | 83 | 73 | |
| Surface | Thermodynamic* | Temp. (°C) | 42 | 87 | |
| | Therm | Pressure ^c N/cm ² | 10.096 | 10.186 | |
| | | Time (EST) Nearest Minute | 0925f | 1102 ^f | · |
| | Vehicle Data ^h | Launch Date | 16/2/91 | 8/2/91 | |
| | Vehic | Vehicle No. | STS-40 Columbia | STS-43 Atlantis | |
| | | Seq. No. | 41 ^j | 42 | |

a. PAD 39A thermodynamic measurements taken at approximately 1.2 m (4 ft) above natural grade at camera site No. 3.
b. 1-min average prior to L+0 of 60-ft PLP winds measured above natural grade. 275-ft FSS wind measurements were not available for sequence No. 27.

Pressure measurement applicable to 21 ft above MSL unless otherwise indicated. Pressure measurement applicable to 14 ft above MSL.

10-s average prior to L+0.

Eastern daylight time.

30-s average prior to L+0.

All vehicles launched from LC 39A except where noted.

Shuttle exploded in flight.

Vehicle launched from 39B.

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Table 2. Systems used to measure upper air wind data for STS-43 ascent.

| | Date: August 2, 1991 | t 2, 1991 | | Portion of Data Used | Data Used | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | Release Time | Time | Start | t | End | |
| | | Time | | Time | | Time |
| | Time | After | Altitude | After | Altitude | After |
| Type of Data | (u.t.) (h:min) | L+0 (min) | m (ft) | L+0 (min) | m (ft) | L+0 (min) |
| FPS-16 Jimsphere | 15:17 | 15 | (21) | 15 | 16,459 (54,000) | 69 |
| MSS Rawinsonde | 14:32 | -30 | 16,764 (55,000) | 25 | 31,394 (103,000) | 73 |
| Super-Loki Rocketsonde (Datasonde) | 16:45 | 103 | 66,751 (219,000) | 103 | 31,699 (104,000) | 105 |
| Super-Loki Rocketsonde (Robin) | 16:03 | 61 | 85,954 (282,000) | 61 | 67,056 (220,000) | 62 |

Table 3. KSC surface observations at STS-43 launch time.

| | | | | | | | | Sky Cover* | | Wind | pu |
|--|-------------------------------|--|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Location a | Time After L+0 (min) | Pressure (MSL) N/cm ² (psia) | Temperature K | Dew Point K | Relative Humidity (%) | Visibility km (miles) | Cloud | Cloud Type | Height of Base Meters (ft) | Speed ft/s (kt) | Direction (°) |
| NASA Space Shuttle Runway X68° Winds Measured at 10.4 m (34 ft) | 0 | 10.190 (14.780) | 302.6 (85.0) | 298.2 (77.0) | 1.1 | 16 (10) | 2 6 | Cumulus Cirrostratus | 701 (2,300) 11,887 (39,000) | 15.2 (9.0) | 200 |
| CCAFS XMR ^c Surface Measurements | 0 | 10.190 (14.780) | 303.7 (87.0) | 297.6 (76.0) | 78 | 16 (10) | m v | Cumulus Cirrus | 701 (2,300) 11,887 (39,000) | 15.2 (9.0) | 180 |
| Pad 39A ^d Lightpole SE 18.3 m (60.0 ft) ^b | 0 | 10.186 (14.774) | 300.9 (82.0) | 295.9 (73.0) | 73 | 1 | 1 | ŧ | ŧ | 16.9 | 170 |

* 6/10 total sky cover at X68 and XMR.

Altitudes of measurements are above natural grade, except where noted.

Approximately 1-min average prior to L+0.

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Balloon release site.

Pad 39A thermodynamic measurements are taken at camera site No. 3, approximately 6.4 m (21 ft) above MSL. ಳ

Official STS-43 sky observational site.

Table 4. STS-43 prelaunch through launch KSC pad 39A atmospheric measurements.

| | Hourly Atmospheric Measurements | heric Mea | surements a | | | Sky | Sky Condition ^b | | |
|----------------|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|-------|-------------------|---|----------------------------|------------|---------------|
| August 2, 1991 | Temperature | Dew Point | Relative Humidity | (S) | 60' Level (SE) | | Total Sky | Visibility | |
| Time u.t. | (°F) | (°F) | (%) | WS Kt | WD | Clouds | Cover | mi.) | Other Remarks |
| 1000 | 7.2 | 70 | 63 | 2 | 179 | Scattered at 15,000 ft, and thin broken at 20,000 ft | 01/9 | 10 | |
| 1100 | 11 | \$ | \$ | 4 | 139 | Scattered at 15,000 ft and thin broken at 24,000 ft | 6/10 | 10 | |
| 1200 | 74 | 1.1 | 16 | 9 | 149 | Scattered at 1,700, 3,000 ft and thin broken at 24,000 ft | 7/10 | 10 | |
| 1300 | 97 | 73 | 81 | 90 | 150 | Scattered at 1,400, 2,000 ft and thin broken at 24,000 ft | 7/10 | 10 | |
| 1400 | 08 | 71 | 75 | 6 | 158 | Scattered at 1,500, 1,700 ft and thin broken at 39,000 ft | 7/10 | 10 | |
| 1500 | 83 | 73 | 73 | 10 | 167 | Scattered at 2,200 ft and thin broken at 39,000 ft | 6/10 | 10 | |
| L+0° 1502 | 82 | 73 | 73 | 10 | 170 | Scattered at 2,300 and thin broken at 39,000 ft | 6/10 | 10 | |

a. Hourly pad observations (obtained via MSFC/MIDDS) averaged over 5 min, centered on the hour.

b. Sky observations taken at the shuttle runway site X68.

c. L+0 pad 39A wind and thermodynamic parameters obtained from HOSC strip charts. The SE anemometer was used at the 60-ft level for L+0 wind conditions (approximately 1-min average prior to L+0).

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile.

| 0 | 21.96 21.77 21.58 | 21.19 | 20.61 20.61 20.56 | 20.51 | 20.41 20.36 | 20.26 | 20.16 | - 6 - 8 - 8 - 8 | 19.61 19.36 | 19.11 | | 18,36 | | 17.61 | 16.97 | 16.33 | 16.01 | 15.37 | 15.05 | 14.73 | 14.21 | 14.01 | 13.81 | 13.41 | 13.21 | • | 12.81 | • |
|---|---|----------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|------------|---------------|--------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| DENSITY (GRAM/M3) 0.1168E+04 0.1163E+04 | خبب | · · · · · | 0.1144E+04 0.1141E+04 0.1138E+04 | 7.7. | . -: ' | . · | | : | 0.1105E+04 0.1102E+04 | | | 0.1089E+04 | | 0.1080E+04 0.1076E+04 | 0.1073E+04 | 0.1067E+04 | | 0.1061E+04 0.1058E+04 | ٠, | 0.1051E+04 | | ٠. | 0.1039E+04 | 0. 1033E+04 | | ٠, | 0.1023E+04 | |
| PRESSURE (MILLIBARS) 0.1016E+04 0.1016E+04 | 0. 1009E+04 0. 1006E+04 0. 1002E+04 | | 0.9882E+03 0.9848E+03 0.9814E+03 | 0.9780E+03 0.9746E+03 | 0.9713E+03 0.9679E+03 | 0.9646E+03 | 0.9579E+03 | 0.9513E+03 0.9480E+03 | 0.9447E+03 | 0.9381E+03 | 0.9348E+03 0.9315E+03 | 0.9283E+03 | | 0.9186E+03 0.9154E+03 | 0.9122E+03 | 0.9058E+03 | | 0.8994E+03 0.8963E+03 | 0.8932E+03 | 0.8900E+03 | 0.8838E+03 | 0.8807E+03 | 0.8775E+03 | 0.8/44E+03 | 0.8683E+03 | 0.8652E+03 | | 0.8591E+03 |
| TEMPERATURE (DEG C) 27.80 27.24 | 26.89 26.57 26.24 | വവവ | 24.94 24.61 24.38 | 40 | 23.46 | 23.23 23.00 | 22.77 | 22.31 22.16 | 22.01 21.86 | 21.71 | 21.56 21.41 | 21.26 | 20.96 | 20.81 20.68 | 20.55 | 20.42 | 20.16 | 20.03 19.90 | 19.77 | 19.64 | 19.38 | 19.25 | 19.12 | 18.99 | 18.73 | | • | 18.34 |
| WIND DIRECTION (DEG) 170.00 165.00 | 173.00 175.00 177.00 | 1/8.00 181.00 190.00 | 192.00 184.00 190.00 | 186.00 193.00 | 193.00 194.00 | 182.00 | 188.00 191.00 | 190,00 190,00 | 194.00 | 193.00 | 197.00 196.00 | 192.00 | 196.00 | 190.00 | 202.00 | 202.00 | 201.00 | 206.00 | 206.00 | 207.00 | 202.00 | 205.00 | 204.00 | 199.00 205.00 | 213.00 | 216.00 | 217.00 | 226.00 |
| WIND SPEED (FT/SEC) 16.90 18.36 | 20.34 21.65 22.64 | 23.95 21.98 21.65 | 21.33 21.33 19.36 | 24.61 26.90 | 25.26 23.95 | 26.25 28.87 | 26.90 24.61 | 27.23 | 24.28 | 26.90 | 26.25 22.97 | 24.93 | 22.97 | 23.95 | 23.95 | 20.01 | 23.29 | 21.33 | 25.26 | 23.62 | 20.67 | 24.28 | 21.33 | 23.62 | 22.20 | 20.67 | 22.97 | 24.61 |
| ALTITUDE (FT) 21. 100. | 500. 500. | 800. 800. | 900. 1000. | 1200. 1300. | 1400. 1500. | 1600. 1700. | 1800 1900 | 2000. | 2200. | 2400. | 2500. 2600. | 2700. | 2900. | 3000. | 3200. | 3300. 3400 | 3500. | 3600. | 3800. | 3900. | 4000 | 4200. | 4300. | 4400. | 4500. | 4700. | 4800. | 4900. |

| | DEW POINT | (DEG C) | 4 | | | . 10 | 11.31 | 11.09 | 10.87 | • | 10.43 | 10.21 | 0.00 | - H | 00°0 | 7 | - or - or - or | 8 67 | 2 8 | 8.23 | 8.01 | 7.79 | 7.57 | 7.35 | 7.13 | 6.9 | 69.9 | 6.47 | 67.5 | 6.03 9.03 | | | • | 4.69 | 4.41 | 4.43 | 6.63 | /0.5 60.6 | 9 | • | • | 2.47 | • | ٦. (| 1.93 | | . 39 |
|---|----------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| | DENSITY | | ··· | | 0.10116404 | 0.1008E+04 | | 0.9999E+03 | 0.9971E+03 | O.9943E+O3 | 0.9915E+03 | 0.9887E+03 | O.9859E+03 | 0.9832E+03 | 98035+0 | | 0.9/3/5/5 | • | 0.96716+03 | | 0.9617E+03 | 0.9591E+03 | 0.9564E+03 | • | 0.9512E+03 | | 0.9460E+03 | | 0.9408E+03 | O.9382E+O3 | 0.9338E+03 | 0.932/1.403 | 0.9269E+03 | 0.9241E+03 | 0.9212E+03 | | 0.9155E+03 | 0.912/E+03 | 0.9070E+03 | 0.9043E+03 | .9015 | O.8988E+O3 | O.8961E+03 | 0.8934E+03 | 0.8907E+03 | 0.68605103 | |
| profile (continued) | PRESSURE | (MILLIBARS) | 0.8561E+03 | 0.8531E+03 | 0.8500E±03 | 0.84/05+03 | 0.8410E+03 | 0.8380E+03 | O.8351E+03 | 0.8321E+03 | 0.8291E+03 | 0.8262E+03 | 0.8232E+03 | 0.8203E+03 | 0.81/45+03 | 0.01446103 | 0.01.135.03 | 0.80826+03 | 0.80286+03 | 0 8000F+03 | 0.79716+03 | 0.7942E+03 | 0.7914E+03 | 0.7885E+03 | 0.7857E+03 | 0.7828E+03 | O. 7800E+03 | 0.7772E+03 | 0.7/44E+03 | 0.7716E+03 | O. 7660E+O3 | 0.7632E+03 | 0.7605E+03 | 0.7577E+03 | O.7550E+03 | 0.7522E+03 | 0.7495E+03 | 0.7468E+03 | 0.7414E+03 | 7387 | 0.7360E+03 | 0.7333E+03 | O. 7306E+03 | | 0.7253E+03 | 0.72275403 | 0.7174E+03 |
| STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued). | TEMPERATURE | (DEG C) | 18.21 | 18.02 | 17.83 | 17.64 | 17.26 | 17.07 | 16.88 | 16.69 | 16.50 | 16.31 | 16.09 | 15.87 | 15.65 45.43 | 24.0 | 13.21 | 66.44 | 14 ነ ነ ነ | 14.33 | 14.41 | 13.88 | 13.65 | 13.42 | 13.19 | 12.96 | 12.73 | 12.50 | 12.27 | 12.04 | -0 | 1.00 | 11.42 | 11.29 | 11.16 | 11.03 | 10.90 | 10.77 | 10.51 | | 10.17 | 10.00 | 9.83 | 9.66 | 9.49 | | 86.8 8.98 |
| Table 5. STS-43 ascent | WIND DIRECTION | (DEG) | 228.00 | 225.00 | 233.00 | 235.00 | 230.00 | 235.00 | 230.00 | 236.00 | 228.00 | 222.00 | 226.00 | 215.00 | 215.00 | 212.00 | 203.00 | 00:602 | 208.00 | 214.00 | | | | | 216.00 | 221.00 | 216.00 | 224.00 | 225.00 | 216.00 | 223.00 | 215.00 | 218.00 | 213.00 | 214.00 | 216.00 | 205.00 | 208.00 | 209.00 | 217.00 | 220.00 | 215.00 | 220.00 | 222.00 | 218.00 | 221.00 | 217.00 |
| Ta | WIND SPEED | ` | 22.97 | 22.31 | 23.62 | 21.98 | 24.28 | 21:00 | 22.31 | 23.29 | 19.69 | 21.98 | 19.36 | 18.37 | 21.98 | 19.03 | 20.34 | 00.00 | 70.00 | 18 70 | 97:21 | 20.34 | 20.01 | 18.70 | 20.67 | 18.04 | 20.34 | 20.67 | 18.04 | 18.70 | 14.70 | 20.00 | 19.36 | 19.69 | 22.97 | 20.34 | 22.31 | 24.28 | 23.95 | 24.93 | 22.31 | 25.26 | 25.26 | 25.26 | d (| 28.22 | 25.26 |
| | ALTITUDE | (FT) | 5000. | 5100. | 5200. | 5300. | 7500. | 2600 | 5700. | 5800. | 5900. | .0009 | 6100. | 6200. | 6300. | 6400. | 6500°. | 9900. | . 00/9 | . 0089 | . 2002 | 7100. | 7200. | 7300. | 7400. | 7500. | 7600. | 7700. | 7800. | 7900. | . 9000 1000 | 8300. | 8300 | 8400. | 8500. | 8600. | 8700. | 8800. | . 0006 | 9100. | 9200. | 9300. | 9400. | 9500. | 9600. | 9,00 | 9800. |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| | 181 | auto 3. 313-45 ascent | macoure manicolariza cama fronte | | | |
|----------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------|--|
| ALTITUDE | WIND SPEED | WIND DIRECTION | TEMPERATURE | PRESSURE | DENSITY | |
| (FT) | ` | (DEG) | (DEG C) | (MILLIBARS) | | (DEG C) |
| 10000 | 26.90 | 218.00 | 8.81 | O.7148E+03 | _ | 1.21 |
| 10100 | 4 | 222.00 | 8.61 | O.7122E+03 | - | 0.90 |
| 10300 | σ | 214.00 | 8.41 | 0.7095E+03 | | 0.59 |
| 10300 | | 211.00 | 8.21 | 0.7069E+03 | O.8724E+03 | 0.28 |
| 10400 | . " | 218.00 | 8.01 | 0.7043E+03 | 8698 | -0.03 |
| 10100 | .00 | 212.00 | 7.81 | 0.7017E+03 | | -0.34 |
| . 0000 | | 207.00 | 7.61 | O. 6991E+03 | 8648 | -0.65 |
| . 0200 | 20.67 | 220.00 | 7.41 | O. 6966E+O3 | | 96.0- |
| . 00.00 | 10:01 10:01 | 20.822 | 7.21 | O. 6940E+03 | 0.8597E+03 | |
| . 0000 | • | 202.00 | 7.01 | O.6914E+03 | 0.8572E+03 | -1.58 |
| . 200 | 20:02 | 208 00 | 6.81 | O. 6889E+O3 | 0.8547E+03 | -1.89 |
| | 20.22 | 204.00 | 6.61 | O.6863E+O3 | O.8522E+03 | -1.95 |
| | 0.00 | 00 661 | 6.41 | O.6838E+O3 | O.8496E+O3 | -2.01 |
| . 500 | 20.00 | 207.00 | 6.21 | 0.6813E+03 | 0.8471E+03 | -2.07 |
| | 24.33 | 217.00 | 6.01 | 0.6787E+03 | O.8445E+03 | -2.13 |
| . 4 | | 24.5 | J 80 | 0.6762E+03 | O.8420E+03 | -2.19 |
| | 5.00 | 20.20 | , r | 0 6737F+03 | 0.83956+03 | -2.25 |
| | 24.6 | 25.85.00 | . R | 0.6712F+03 | O.8370E+03 | -2.31 |
| | 60.00 | 25.5 | n L | 0.66875+03 | O.8345E+O3 | -2.37 |
| 11800. | , CO. 0 | 20.00 | - T | 50 - 3 (| 0.83205+03 | -2.43 |
| 11800. | 23.93 | 202.00 | | 0.56385+03 | 0.82956+03 | -2.49 |
| 12000. | 22.64 | 209.00 | 0 0 | 0.00300.00 | O 8270F+03 | -2.58 |
| 12100. | 38 | 210.00 | 1 4 | 0.00.00.00.00.00.00.00.00.00.00.00.00.0 | O 8244F+03 | -2.67 |
| 12200. | 24.93 | 203.00 | , r. | O 6864F+O3 | O 8218F+03 | -2.76 |
| 12300. | 24.61 | 210.00 | 2.4 | 0.60446.00 | 0 8 193F±03 | -2.85 |
| 12400. | 23.62 | 213.00 | ა გ | 0.63406403 | 0.8153E-03 | -2.94 |
| 12500. | 27.56 | 204.00 | 3.96 | 0.69136703 | 0.818/2+03 | 60 6- |
| 12600. | 27.89 | 208.00 | 6/.e | 0.6491E+03 | 0.8 425+03 | -3.12 |
| 12700. | 25.26 | 211.00 | 29.0 | 0.646/E+O3 | 0.81-17-03 | -3.21 |
| 12800. | 28.54 | 197.00 | G. 60 | 0.64436+03 | 0.80325.00 | 000 |
| 12900. | 27.56 | 203.00 | 3.28 | 0.64196403 | 0.80445403 | 95.6- |
| 13000. | 25.59 | 202.00 | | 0.63836703 | 0.80476+03 | 0 E |
| 13100. | 27.56 | 194.00 | 2.93 | 0.63/16+03 | 0.8017E+03 | 97.6- |
| 13200. | 27.89 | 197.00 | 2.73 | 0.63475403 | 0.7968F±03 | 66.6- |
| 13300. | 24.61 | 192.00 | 70.7 | 0.63006+03 | O 7943F+03 | -4.19 |
| 13400. | 26.90 | 184.00 | 2.33 | 0.6276E+03 | 0.7919E+03 | -4.39 |
| 13300. | 26.37 | 96.50 | - 8: 5 - 8: 6 - 8: 6 | 0.6252E+03 | 0.7894E+03 | -4.59 |
| 13700 | 26.32 | 00.188 | 1.85 | 0.6229E+03 | 0.7870E+03 | -4.79 |
| 13800 | 24.93 | 202.00 | 1.67 | O.6205E+03 | O.7846E+03 | -4.99 |
| 13900 | 26.57 | 00.761 | 1.49 | 0.6182E+03 | .7822E+0 | er . 19 |
| 14000 | 25.92 | 197.00 | 1.31 | O.6159E+03 | .7798E+0 | -5.39 |
| 14100. | 22.64 | 197.00 | 1.19 | O.6136E+03 | .7772E+0 | -5.79 |
| 14200. | 25.59 | 201.00 | 1.07 | • | • | 9 . |
| 14300. | 21.33 | 202.00 | 0.95 | • | • | 8. o |
| 14400. | 25.59 | 196.00 | 0.83 | | O. 7696E+03 | 90.00 |
| 14500. | 24.93 | 194.00 | 0.71 | • | | 0.00 |
| 14600. | 21.65 | 189.00 | 0.59 | 021E+0 | ٠, ۱ | • |
| 14700. | 23.62 | 185.00 | • | | ./620E+0 | - v |
| 14800. | 23.95 | 189.00 | 0.35 | 0.5975E+03 | 0.7595E+03 | 60.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.0 |
| 14900. | 21.98 | 187.00 | • | | `. |) |
| | | | | | | |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| SONIA | PEED | WIND DIRECTION | TEMPERATURE | PRESSURE | DENSITY | DEW POINT |
|----------|------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| (FT/SEC) | EC) | | (DEG C) | (MILLIBARS) | (GRAM/M3) | (DEG C) |
| 23,9 | | 186.00 | 0.11 | 0.5930E+03 | | |
| 22.97 | 76 | 190.00 | -0.04 | 0.5908E+03 | | -9.84 |
| 24.9 | 33 | 186.00 | -0.19 | O.5885E+03 | | -10.29 |
| | 95 | 189.00 | -0.34 | O.5863E+03 | O.7474E+03 | -10.74 |
| | 33 | 188.00 | -0.49 | • | ۲. | -11.19 |
| | 22 | 181.00 | -0.64 | | | |
| | 25 | 184.00 | -0.79 | O.5796E+03 | 0.7402E+03 | ٠ |
| 22.64 | 54 | 187.00 | -0.94 | • | O.7379E+03 | • |
| 23.6 | .62 | 181.00 | -1.09 | | O.7355E+03 | |
| 23.62 | 32 | 189.00 | -1.24 | 0.5731E+03 | O.7332E+03 | -13.44 |
| 21.98 | 38 | 193.00 | -1.39 | 0.5709E+03 | O.7308E+03 | -13.89 |
| 22.6 | .64 | 185.00 | -1.53 | 0.5687E+03 | O. 7284E+03 | -14.38 |
| 23.6 | 52 | 188.00 | -1.67 | O.5666E+03 | 0.7261E+03 | -14.87 |
| 20.3 | 34 | 00.161 | -1.81 | 0.5644E+03 | O.7237E+03 | -15.36 |
| 23.95 | 50 | 184.00 | -1.95 | O.5622E+03 | O.7214E+03 | -15.85 |
| 24.0 | | 186 00 | 60 6- | 0.56015+03 | 0.71906+03 | -16.34 |
| | 2 0 | 200 | 50:3- | O 5580F+03 | O 7167F+O3 | -16.83 |
| | 0 6 | 20.30 | 24:41 | O 5558F+O3 | O 7143E+O3 | -17.32 |
| 7 6 | 2 0 | 00.00 | 2 . N | 0.3336.03 | 0.71206+03 | -17 81 |
| 21.5 | 20 7 | 192.00 | 12.3 | 0.333/E+03 | 0.71205403 | 0.01 |
| 22. | - 6 | 185.00 | 12.63 | 0.33166403 | 0.70375+03 | 1.0.40 |
| 25. | 56 | 186.00 | -2./9 | 0.5495E+03 | O. 7074E+O3 | 6/ · 0/ · |
| 22.5 | 97 | 189.00 | -2.97 | 0.54/4E+03 | 0. 7052E+03 | - 18.43 |
| 23. | ລາ | 186.00 | -3.15 | 0.5453E+03 | 0.7030E+03 | ~ : |
| 25.1 | 29 | 189.00 | -3.33 | 0.5432E+03 | 0.7008E+03 | -20.71 |
| 21. | 33 | 189.00 | -3.51 | 0.5411E+03 | O.6986E+03 | -21.35 |
| 23.5 | 95 | 180.00 | -3.69 | 0.5391E+03 | 0.6964E+03 | -21.99 |
| 24.5 | 93 | 181.00 | -3.87 | 0.5370E+03 | O.6942E+03 | -22.63 |
| 21.(| 8 | 184.00 | -4.05 | 0.5349E+03 | O.6920E+03 | -23.27 |
| 24 .: | 28 | 178.00 | | 0.5329E+03 | O.6899E+03 | -23.91 |
| 22. | 97 | 180.00 | | 0.5308E+03 | O.6877E+03 | -24.55 |
| | 37 | 178.00 | -4.59 | O.5288E+03 | O.6856E+03 | -25.19 |
| 19.0 | 69 | 176.00 | -4.82 | O.5268E+03 | O.6835E+03 | -24.90 |
| 23.8 | .95 | 173.00 | -5.05 | 0.5247E+03 | 0.6814E+03 | -24.61 |
| 22.(| 64 | 168.00 | -5.28 | | 0.6793E+03 | -24.32 |
| 21.33 | 33 | 165.00 | -5.51 | O.5207E+03 | 0.6773E+03 | -24.03 |
| 26. | 25 | 163.00 | -5.74 | 0.5187E+03 | 0.6752E+03 | -23.74 |
| 23.(| 62 | 166.00 | -5.97 | O.5166E+03 | 0.6732E+03 | -23.45 |
| 21.5 | 98 | 169.00 | -6.20 | 0.5146E+03 | 0.6711E+03 | -23.16 |
| 23.62 | 62 | 163.00 | -6.43 | 0.5127E+03 | 0.6691E+03 | -22.87 |
| 21.0 | 8. | 165.00 | -6.66 | 0.5107E+03 | 0.6671E+03 | -22.58 |
| 19.6 | 69. | 167.00 | -6.89 | 0.5087E+03 | 0.6651E+03 | -22.29 |
| 22.8 | .97 | 152.00 | , | 0.5067E+03 | 0.6629E+03 | -22.14 |
| 18. | 40. | 160.00 | • | 0.5047E+03 | O.6607E+03 | -21.99 |
| 16.4 | 40 | 162.00 | -7.40 | | 0.6585E+03 | -21.84 |
| 18. | .37 | 154.00 | • | ı. | • | -21.69 |
| 16. | 73 | 164.00 | -7.74 | O.4989E+O3 | O.6542E+03 | -21.54 |
| | ~ | 169.00 | -7.91 | 0.4969E+03 | 0.65216+03 | -21.39 |
| • | 72 | 162.00 | | O.4950E+03 | 0.6500E+03 | -21.24 |
| | 90 | 172.00 | -8.25 | 4 | 0.6478E+03 | -21.09 |
| | | | | • | | |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| ALTITUDE | WIND SPEED | WIND DIRECTION | TEMPERATURE | PRESSURE | DENSITY | DEW POINT |
|----------|------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| (FT) | (FT/SEC) | (DEG) | (DEG C) | (MILLIBARS) | (GRAM/M3) | |
| 20000 | 19.36 | 163.00 | -8.59 | O.4892E+03 | O.6436E+03 | -20.79 |
| 20100. | o | 166.00 | -8.77 | O.4873E+O3 | 0.6415E+03 | _ |
| 20200. | 14.44 | 156.00 | -8.95 | O.4854E+03 | O.6394E+03 | ÷ |
| 20300. | • | 164.00 | -9.13 | • | • | Ť. |
| 20400. | 12.80 | 173.00 | -9.31 | O.4816E+03 | • | -21.99 |
| 20500. | • | 171.00 | -9.49 | | . 6332E | • |
| 20600. | | 171.00 | -9.67 | 0.4778E+03 | • | -22.59 |
| 20700. | വ | 173.00 | , | 0.4759E+03 | . 6292E | -22.89 |
| 20800. | 15.42 | 162.00 | -10.03 | 0.4740E+03 | .6271 | -23.19 |
| 20900. | • | 166.00 | -10.21 | | • | -23.49 |
| 21000. | • | 160.00 | - 10.39 | | • | -23.79 |
| 21100. | 19.36 | 154.00 | - 10 . 59 | | | -24.02 |
| 21200. | 17.06 | 146.00 | -10.79 | O.4666E+O3 | • | -24.25 |
| 21300. | 19.36 | 143.00 | 0 | • | • | -24.48 |
| 21400. | 20.34 | 146.00 | - | O.4629E+03 | 0.6152E+03 | -24.71 |
| 21500. | 20.34 | 142.00 | • | 0.4611E+03 | O.6133E+03 | -24.94 |
| 21600. | 21.33 | 144.00 | -11.59 | O.4593E+O3 | O.6113E+03 | -25.17 |
| 21700. | 19.69 | 146.00 | -11.79 | 0.4575E+03 | O.6094E+03 | -25.40 |
| 21800. | 18.37 | 142.00 | -11.99 | 0.4557E+03 | O.6075E+03 | -25.63 |
| 21900. | 22.97 | 135.00 | -12.19 | O.4539E+O3 | O.6055E+03 | -25.86 |
| 22000. | 18.04 | 129.00 | -12.39 | 0.4521E+03 | O.6036E+03 | -26.09 |
| 22100. | • | 120.00 | -12.64 | 0.4503E+03 | O. 6018E+03 | -26.08 |
| 22200. | ٠ | 122.00 | -12.89 | O.4485E+03 | • | |
| 22300. | | 131.00 | -13.14 | O.4467E+03 | .5982E+0 | -26.06 |
| 22400. | 14.76 | 114.00 | - 13,39 | O.4449E+03 | • | -26.05 |
| 22500. | 13.12 | 110.00 | -13.64 | 0.4432E+03 | O. 5945E+O3 | -26.04 |
| 22600. | • | 116.00 | -13.89 | O.4414E+03 | .5927E+0 | -26.03 |
| 22700. | 14.76 | 105.00 | -14.14 | O.4396E+03 | | -26.02 |
| 22800. | 12.47 | 112.00 | 4 | O.4379E+03 | • | -26.01 |
| 22900. | • | 119.00 | 4 | 0.4361E+03 | • | -26.00 |
| 23000. | 14.44 | 115.00 | 4 | 0.4344E+03 | 0.5856E+03 | -25.99 |
| 23100. | 17.39 | 128.00 | വ | O.4326E+03 | 0.5837E+03 | -25.84 |
| 23200. | 18.04 | 127.00 | SO L | 0.4309E+03 | 0.5819E+03 | -25.69 |
| 23300. | 18.70 | 124.00 | 10.08 | 0.4232E+03 | 0.00016403 | 120.04 |
| 23500 | • | 8.55 | 19:01 | 0.42/46+03 | 0.3/82E+03 | -25.33 |
| 23600 | , c | 114 | O C | 0.4240F±03 | | -25.09 |
| 23700. | 22.97 | 113.00 | -16.50 | 0.4223E+03 | | -24.94 |
| 23800. | 21.98 | 106.00 | -16.73 | 0.4206E+03 | 0.5710E+03 | -24.79 |
| 23900. | | 113.00 | -16.96 | 0.4189E+03 | | -24.64 |
| 24000. | | 110.00 | | | Q.5674E+03 | -24.49 |
| 24100. | 22.31 | 109.00 | - | 0.4155E+03 | 0.5655E+03 | -25.30 |
| 24200. | 21.98 | 00.601 | _ | O* 4138E+03 | | |
| 24300. | ຫຼ | • | ~ | 0.4121E+03 | • | |
| 24400. | 22.31 | 112.00 | -17.95 | 0.4105E+03 | | -27.73 |
| 24500. | o. | 103.00 | -18.14 | 0.4088E+03 | | |
| 24600. | φ, i | 106.00 | 80 (| 0.4072E+03 | • | -29.35 |
| 24700. | ά. | 103.00 | • | 0.4055E+03 | 0.5545E+03 | ္က် မ |
| 24800. | 4 I | 104.00 | • | 0.4039E+03 | | -30.97 |
| 24900. | 25.59 | 100.00 | -18.90 | 0.4022E+03 | 0.5509E+03 | -31.78 |
| | | | | | | |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| LTITUDE | WIND SPEED | WIND DIRECTION | | PRESSURE | DENSITY | _ |
|---------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| (FT) | ₽, | (DEG) | (DEG C) | (MILLIBARS) | | O I |
| 25000. | N 0 | 50.40 | 50 . SE | 0.4006E+03 | 0.5491E+03 | -32.59 |
| 25200. | 23.63 | 5.00 | 19.32 119.55 | 0.39906+03 | • | -32.61 |
| 25300 | 20.02 20.02 | 50. | 10.33 | 0.39575+03 | 0.54395+03 | |
| 25400. | 23.62 | 106.00 | -20.01 | 0.3941E+03 | 0.5421E+03 | -32.67 |
| 25500. | 22.97 | 00.86 | -20.24 | 0.3925E+03 | 0.5404E+03 | -32.69 |
| 25600. | 26.25 | 98.00 | -20.47 | | | |
| 25700. | 23.62 | 106.00 | -20.70 | O.3893E+03 | | -32.73 |
| 25800. | 26.90 | 94.00 | -20.93 | | | -32.75 |
| 25900. | 27.23 | 00.66 | -21.16 | | • | 7 |
| 26000. | 30.18 | 96.00 | -21.39 | | • | -32.79 |
| 26100. | 31.50 | 96.00 | -21.57 | | | -32.48 |
| 26200. | 29.53 | 91.00 | -21.75 | 0.3813E+03 | • | -32.17 |
| 26300. | 32.81 | 94.00 | -21.93 | O.3798E+03 | | -31.86 |
| 26400. | 33,46 | 94.00 | -22.11 | | • | υ. |
| 26500. | 34.45 | 92.00 | -22.29 | • | • | -31.24 |
| 26600. | 30.84 | 95.00 | -22.47 | | | -30.93 |
| 26700. | 31.82 | 91.00 | -22.65 | • | • | -30.62 |
| 26800. | 32.48 | 92.00 | -22.83 | O.3720E+03 | 0.5175E+03 | -30.31 |
| 26900. | 29.86 | 89.00 | -23.01 | | | -30.00 |
| 27000. | 33.79 | 92.00 | Τ. | O.3690E+O3 | 0.5140E+03 | • |
| 27100. | 32.81 | 89.00 | -23.43 | O.3675E+03 | 0.5123E+03 | -29.52 |
| 27200. | 36.75 | 92.00 | -23.67 | O.3659E+O3 | 0.5107E+03 | -29.35 |
| 27300. | 35.43 | 87.00 | -23.91 | 0.3644E+03 | O.5090E+03 | -29.18 |
| 27400. | 39.04 | 84.00 | | O.3629E+O3 | 0.5074E+03 | -29.01 |
| 27500. | 37.40 | 83.00 | -24.39 | 0.3614E+03 | 0.5058E+03 | -28.84 |
| 27600. | 39.04 | 80.00 | -24.63 | O.3599E+O3 | 0.5041E+03 | -28.67 |
| 27700. | 43.31 | 79.00 | -24.87 | 0.35846+03 | 0.5025E+03 | -28.50 |
| 27800. | 40.35 | 75.00 | -25.11 | | 0.5009E+03 | -28.33 |
| 27900. | 41.99 | 74.00 | -25.35 | | 0.4993E+03 | |
| 28000. | 42.65 | 76.00 | | | 0.4977E+03 | |
| 28100. | 38.71 | 77.00 | -25.74 | O.3524E+O3 | | -28.52 |
| 28200. | 40.03 | 80.00 | -25.89 | O.3510E+03 | 0.4942E+03 | -29.05 |
| 28300. | 37.73 | 77.00 | -26.04 | O.3495E+03 | O. 4924E+03 | -29.58 |
| 28400. | 41.67 | 80.00 | -26.19 | • | O.4907E+03 | -30.11 |
| 28500. | 43.31 | 81.00 | | | | -30.64 |
| 28600. | 44,95 | 80.00 | • | O.3451E+03 | • | -31.17 |
| 28700. | 46.92 | 83.00 | | O.3437E+O3 | O.4855E+03 | -31.70 |
| 28800. | 47.24 | 85.00 | -26.79 | O.3423E+O3 | • | |
| 28900. | 49.87 | 85.00 | | | | |
| 29000. | 51,51 | 87.00 | • | | • | |
| 29100. | 52.49 | 85.00 | | | | -33.96 |
| 29200. | 56.43 | 88.00 | ß | | | -34.63 |
| 29300. | 57.74 | 85.00 | -27.75 | • | | m. |
| 29400. | 55.45 | 83.00 | σ. | | | თ. |
| 29500. | 0 | 83.00 | • | | | 9 |
| 29600. | | 82.00 | 4 | | • | |
| 29700. | 57.74 | 79.00 | 9 | | | -37.98 |
| 29800. | 58.73 | | -28.85 | . 3281E | .4677E | ω. |
| 29900. | 54.79 | 73.00 | -29.07 | 0.3267E+03 | 0.4662E+03 | -39.32 |
| | | | | | | |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| | 71 | iaule J. 313-43 ascelle | aunospiiciie uata | 313-43 ascent aunospiicite data promie (commined) | • | |
|----------|------------|-------------------------|--|---|-------------|-----------|
| ALTITUDE | WIND SPEED | WIND DIRECTION | TEMPERATURE | PRESSURE | DENSITY | DEW POINT |
| (FT) | _ | (DEG) | (DEG C) | (MILLIBARS) | (GRAM/M3) | (DEG C) |
| 30000 | 56.76 | 71.00 | -29.29 | O.3253E+03 | 0.4646E+03 | -39.99 |
| 30100 | 57.09 | 74.00 | -29.40 | O.3239E+03 | O.4629E+03 | -40.62 |
| 30200 | 56.43 | 71.00 | -29.51 | O.3226E+O3 | 0.4611E+03 | -41.25 |
| 30300. | ິ ຕ | 72.00 | -29.62 | | O.4594E+03 | -41.88 |
| 30400 | 56.76 | 71.00 | -29.73 | | 0.4576E+03 | -42,51 |
| 30500. | | 67.00 | -29.84 | | 0.4559E+03 | -43.14 |
| 30600. | 57.09 | 00 69 | -29.95 | | 0.4542E+03 | -43.77 |
| 30700. | 54.46 | 68.00 | -30.06 | | 0.4525E+03 | -44.40 |
| 30800 | _ | 00.69 | -30.17 | 0.3145E+03 | 0.4508E+03 | -45.03 |
| 30900 | 54.79 | 00.69 | -30.28 | | O.4491E+03 | -45.66 |
| 31000. | 55.77 | 68.00 | -30.39 | | 0.4474E+03 | -46.29 |
| 31100. | 56.43 | 70.00 | -30.66 | 0.3105E+03 | 0.4460E+03 | -46.57 |
| 31200. | 56.76 | 70.00 | -30.93 | | O.4446E+O3 | -46.85 |
| 31300. | 56.43 | 00.69 | -31.20 | | 0.4431E+03 | -47.13 |
| 31400 | 57.41 | 71.00 | -31.47 | | 0.4417E+03 | -47.41 |
| 31500. | 57.09 | 00.69 | _ | | 0.4403E+03 | -47.69 |
| 31600. | 59.71 | 72.00 | 0 | | O.4390E+03 | -47.97 |
| 31700. | 57.09 | 70.00 | -32.28 | | O.4376E+03 | -48.25 |
| 31800. | 56.43 | 00.69 | -32,55 | | O.4362E+O3 | -48.53 |
| 31900 | 55. 12 | 70.00 | -32.82 | O. 3000E+03 | O.4348E+03 | -48.81 |
| 32000 | 56.43 | 20.02 | 60 -83 | | O. 4334E+03 | -49.09 |
| 32100 | 27.77 | 000 |) (C) (C) (C) (C) (C) (C) (C) (C) (C) (C | | 4320E+0 | -49.30 |
| 32200 | , r r | 200 | 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | 0 29616+03 | 0.4306E+03 | -49.51 |
| 32300 | 7 C C | 75.00 | 1939 | O.2948E+03 | O.4292E+O3 | -49.72 |
| 32400 | 55 45 45 5 | 27.00 | 194.13 | 0.2936E+03 | O.4278E+03 | -49.93 |
| 32500 | 55.12 | 26.00 | -34.39 | | O.4264E+03 | -50.14 |
| 32600 | 57.41 | 00.67 | -34.65 | 0.2910E+03 | 0.4250E+03 | -50.35 |
| 32700 | 58.07 | 82.00 | -34.91 | O.2898E+03 | 0.4237E+03 | -50.56 |
| 32800. | 59.06 | 83.00 | -35.17 | 0.2885E+03 | 0.4223E+03 | -50.77 |
| 32900. | 62.66 | 86.00 | -35.43 | | 0.4209E+03 | -50.98 |
| 33000 | 60.37 | 86.00 | -35.69 | | 0.4195E+03 | -51.19 |
| 33100. | 64.30 | 84.00 | -35.97 | | 0.4182E+03 | -51.50 |
| 33200. | | 85.00 | -36.25 | • | 0.4169E+03 | -51.81 |
| 33300. | | 84.00 | -36.53 | | 0.4155E+03 | Τ. |
| 33400. | | 85.00 | -36.81 | 0.2810E+03 | O.4142E+O3 | -52.43 |
| 33500. | • | | -37.09 | • | 0.4129E+03 | -52.74 |
| 33600. | • | 85.00 | -37.37 | ٠ | 0.4115E+03 | -53.05 |
| 33700. | | 88.00 | -37.65 | 0.2773E+03 | 0.4102E+03 | 100.00 |
| 33800. | ٠ | 87.00 | -37.93 | | • | |
| 33900. | 64.96 | 86.00 | -38.21 | • | | -53.98 |
| 34000. | • | | -38.49 | | | d, |
| 34100. | 64.96 | | -38.75 | • | | ប់ រ |
| 34200. | • | 89.00 | -39.01 | 0.2713E+03 | • | 17.40- |
| 34300. | 68.90 | 90.00 | -39.27 | ٠ | | 104.92 |
| 34400. | 66.93 | 89.00 | -39.53 | • | | |
| 34500. | 69.23 | 90.00 | -39.79 | 0.2677E+03 | 0.3996E+03 | ٦ ر |
| 34600. | ဖ | О. | -40.05 | • | | Ü, |
| 34700. | თ. | 88.00 | -40.31 | • | | ດ ເ |
| 34800. | ۲. | 87.00 | | | 0.3956E+03 | /a. cr. |
| 34900. | 66.60 | 88.00 | -40.83 | 0.2630E+03 | 0.3943E+03 | 100.10 |
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Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| ALTITUDE | WIND SPEED | WIND DIRECTION | TEMPERATURE | PRESSURE | DENSITY | DEW POINT |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-----------|
| (FT) | (FT/SEC) | (DEG) | (DEG C) | (MILLIBARS) | (GRAM/M3) | (DEG C) |
| 35000. | 66.60 | 89.00 | -41.09 | 0.2618E+03 | 0.3930E+03 | -56.39 |
| 35100. | ဖ | 88.00 | -41.32 | 0.2606E+03 | O.3916E+03 | -56.57 |
| 35200. | 66.27 | 89.00 | -41.55 | O.2595E+03 | O.3903E+03 | -56.75 |
| 35300. | | 87.00 | -41.78 | O.2583E+03 | O.3889E+O3 | -56.93 |
| 35400. | | 85.00 | -42.01 | 0.2571E+03 | O.3875E+03 | -57.11 |
| 35500. | 62.99 | 88.00 | -42.24 | 0.2560E+03 | O.3862E+03 | -57.29 |
| 35600. | ٠ | 87.00 | • | 0.2548E+03 | O.3848E+O3 | -57.47 |
| 35700. | • | 90.00 | -42.70 | O.2537E+O3 | • | -57.65 |
| 35800. | 68.90 | 90.06 | -42.93 | 0.2526E+03 | • | -57.83 |
| 35900. | 68.57 | 93.00 | -43.16 | 0.2514E+03 | O.3808E+03 | -58.01 |
| 36000. | 69.88 | 93.00 | -43.39 | 0.2503E+03 | O.3795E+03 | -58,19 |
| 36100. | 70.87 | 93.00 | -43.60 | O.2492E+O3 | O.3781E+03 | -58,34 |
| 36200. | 72.18 | 94.00 | -43.81 | O.2481E+03 | O.3768E+03 | -58,49 |
| 36300. | 70.87 | 92.00 | -44.02 | | 0.3754E+03 | -58.64 |
| 36400. | 66.93 | 93.00 | -44.23 | | | -58.79 |
| 36500. | 68.57 | 90.00 | -44.44 | 0.2447E+03 | 0.3728E+03 | -58.94 |
| 36600. | 67.26 | 91.00 | -44.65 | | 0.3714E+03 | -59.09 |
| 36700. | 67.59 | 00.06 | -44.86 | 0.2425E+03 | 0.37015+03 | -59.24 |
| 36800. | 70.54 | 00.68 | -45.07 | 0.2415E+03 | O.3688E+O3 | -59.39 |
| 36900. | 68.90 | 00.68 | -45,28 | 0.2404E+03 | 0.3675E+03 | -59.54 |
| 37000. | • | 00.68 | -45.49 | O.2393E+03 | 0.3662E+03 | -59.69 |
| 37100. | | 90.00 | -45.77 | O.2382E+03 | 0.3649E+03 | -59.92 |
| 37200. | | 90.00 | -46,05 | 0.2371E+03 | 0.3637E+03 | -60, 15 |
| 37300. | 74 . 15 | 89.00 | -46,33 | 0.2360E+03 | 0.3625E+03 | -60.38 |
| 37400. | 70.54 | 88.00 | -46.61 | O.2350E+03 | 0.3613E+03 | -60.61 |
| 37500. | 71.85 | 87.00 | -46.89 | O.2339E+03 | 0.3601E+03 | -60.84 |
| 37600. | 71.52 | 87.00 | -47.17 | 0.2328E+03 | 0.3589E+03 | -61.07 |
| 37700. | | 86.00 | -47,45 | 0.2318E+03 | 0.3577E+03 | -61.30 |
| 37800. | 72.51 | 87.00 | -47.73 | O.2307E+03 | 0.3565E+03 | -61.53 |
| 37900. | 74.48 | 88.00 | -48.01 | O.2296E+03 | 0.3553E+03 | -61.76 |
| 38000. | 72.83 | 87.00 | -48.29 | O. 2286E+03 | 0.3542E+03 | -61.99 |
| 38100. | 77.10 | 86.00 | -48.56 | O.2275E+03 | O.3529E+03 | -62.20 |
| 38200. | 74.15 | 87.00 | -48.83 | O.2265E+03 | 0.3517E+03 | -62.41 |
| 38300. | 70.87 | 88.00 | -49.10 | O.2254E+03 | 0.3505E+03 | -62.62 |
| 38400. | 74.48 | 85.00 | -49.37 | 0.2244E+03 | 0.3493E+03 | -62.83 |
| 38500. | | 85.00 | -49.64 | 0.2233E+03 | 0.3481E+03 | -63.04 |
| 38600. | | 82.00 | -49.91 | 0.2223E+03 | 0.3469E+03 | -63.25 |
| 38700. | • | 83.00 | -50.18 | 0.2213E+03 | 0.3457E+03 | -63.46 |
| 38800. | 71.19 | 82.00 | -50.45 | 0.2202E+03 | 0.3445E+03 | -63.67 |
| 38900. | ÷ | 81.00 | -50.72 | 0.2192E+03 | 0.34335+03 | -63.88 |
| 39000. | • | 82.00 | -50.99 | | 0.3422E+03 | -64.09 |
| 39100. | | 81.00 | -51,28 | | 0.3410E+03 | -64.31 |
| 39200. | • | 80.00 | -51.57 | • | | -64.53 |
| 39300. | ∞ (| 82.00 | -51.86 | | 0.3387E+03 | -64.75 |
| 39400. | • | 8.6 | • | ٠ | 0.3376E+03 | -64.97 |
| 39500. | 68.57 | 79.00 | -52.44 | | 0.3364E+03 | -65, 19 |
| 39600. | ກໍ | 87.7 | -52.73 | • | 0.3353E+03 | -65.41 |
| 39700. | ເກີຍ ເກີຍ | 78.00 | -53.02 | | | -65.63 |
| 7 0 (| n | | -53,31 | . • | | -65.85 |
| .00866 | 08.89 | 73.00 | -53,60 | 0.2092E+03 | 0.3319E+03 | -66.07 |
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Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| DEW POINT (0EG C) (9999.00 (9999.00 (9999.00 (9999.00 (9999.00) (9999.00 | | 00.00000000000000000000000000000000000 | | | |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|
| DENSITY (GRAM/M3) 0.2723E+03 0.2711E+03 0.2699E+03 0.2686E+03 0.2663E+03 | | | 0.24826+03 0.24706+03 0.24596+03 0.24366+03 0.24156+03 0.24056+03 0.24026+03 | 0.2396-03 0.23696-03 0.23696-03 0.2376-03 0.2376-03 0.2376-03 0.2376-03 0.22956-03 0.22956-03 | |
| PRESSURE (MILLIBARS) O. 1634E+03 O. 1626E+03 O. 1610E+03 O. 1602E+03 O. 1594E+03 | | | 0.1480E+03 0.1473E+03 0.1465E+03 0.1458E+03 0.1441E+03 0.1436E+03 0.1429E+03 | | |
| TEMPERATURE (DEG C) -64.09 -64.19 -64.29 -64.49 -64.59 | @ r- 80 80 0 - | 655.15 655.24 655.24 655.33 655.33 | 6 1 6 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 | 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 | 66.0 66.0 667.0 667.0 667.0 668.0 668.0 668.5 669.0 669.0 669.0 69.0 69.0 69.0 |
| WIND DIRECTION (DEG) 88.00 86.00 81.00 72.00 68.00 | 60 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 | 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 | 8 8 8 9 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 88 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 | 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 |
| WIND SPEED (FT/SEC) 42.98 40.03 39.70 36.75 40.03 35.76 | 34.12 35.10 39.04 38.06 39.04 42.32 | 40.35 38.71 42.32 42.65 40.68 40.68 | 39.37 36.09 33.16 31.50 32.81 32.81 30.84 | 30.51 27.56 31.50 27.53 30.86 30.86 28.54 28.54 | 26.57 26.57 28.54 23.62 30.18 31.50 24.28 30.18 26.57 |
| ALTITUDE (FT) 45000. 45100. 45200. 45300. 45400. | 45600. 45700. 45800. 45900. 46000. | 46200. 46300. 46400. 46500. 46700. 46700. 46900. | 47000. 47100. 47300. 47500. 47600. 47700. | 4 8 8 9 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 4 4 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| DEW POINT (DEG C) -9999.00 -9999.00 | 00.8888- | 00.6666- | 00.8666- | -9999,00 | 00.866- | 00.8888- | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00'6666- | 00.6666- | | 00.8666- | | | 00.8666- | -9999.00 | 00.8666- | 00.666- | • | 00.888. | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00.8666- | • | • | • | 00.8889- | 00.8686- | 00.6666- | 00.666- | | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00.666- | 00.666- | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00.8888- | 00.00 |
|---|--------------------------|----------|------------|----------|---------|----------|----------------|----------|----------|------------|----------|--------|------------|------------|-------------|----------|------------|------------|---------|--------|------------|-------------|------------------|----------|------------------|------------|--------|--------|----------|----------|------------|---------|----------------|------------|----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|----------|------------|
| DENSITY (GRAM/M3) 0.2170E+03 0.2170E+03 | 0.2161E+03 0.2152E+03 | 7 | 0.2134E+03 | ij | - | | 0.2091E+03 | | | | | • | | 0.2005E+03 | 0. 1984E+03 | | Ξ, | Ξ. | ٣. | _ | 0.1919E+03 | O. 1909E4O3 | | · · | O.1867E+03 | | ٠. | | | | 0.1808E+03 | | : - | ~ | | Τ. | Τ. | | | - . | | 0.1104E+03 |
| PRESSURE (MILLIBARS) 0.1273E+03 0.1267E+03 | | - | 0.1241E+03 | · - | Τ, | ۲, ۱ | 0.1210E+03 | | : - | O.1185E+03 | ₹. | ۲. | ٠. ١ | - 1 | 0.1155E+03 | . = | 0.1137E+03 | O.1132E+03 | | | ٠. ١ | | 0.11035403 | | | O.1081E+03 | | | | | 0.1054E+03 | | | 0.9861E+02 | • | 0.8910E+02 | O.8469E+02 | O.8049E+02 | O.7652E+02 | • | • | 0.6585E+02 |
| TEMPERATURE (DEG C) -69.59 | -69.99 | -70.39 | -70.59 | | | ÷. | -71.59 | -71 FE | | Ψ. | _ | _ | — · | -71.43 | -71,41 | 71.30 | -71.21 | -71:12 | -71.03 | -70.94 | -70.85 | -70.76 | -70.67 -70 58 | -70:33 | -70,43 | -70.37 | -70.31 | -70.25 | -70.19 | -70.13 | 70.07 | 10.071 | 00.00 | 60:02- | 66.69- | 60.69- | -69.89 | -70.39 | -67.89 | -67.29 | -65.89 | -65,39 |
| WIND DIRECTION (DEG) 72.00 | 63.00 | 73.00 | 62.00 | 58.00 | 71.00 | 62.00 | 90.09 80.00 | 22.00 | 3 6 | 56.00 | 65.00 | 65.00 | 75.00 | 91.00 | 86 86 | 3.9 | 200 | 103.80 | 93.00 | 100.00 | 00.66 | 95.00 | 13.8 | 25.48 | 00.00 | 76.00 | 67.00 | 74.00 | 85.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 | 86.00 | 86.78 86.38 | 8.6 | 00.08 | 82.00 | 77.00 | 76.00 | 76.00 | 77.00 | 81.00 | 86.00 |
| WIND SPEED (FT/SEC) 30.51 | 25.92 | 18.37 | 25.92 | 24.93 | 18.37 | 18.37 | 18.70 | 25.26 | 19.03 | 69.65 | 16.08 | 17.06 | 17.06 | 26.25 | 28.54 | 000 | 37.48 | 0 C | 29.86 | 27.23 | 28.54 | 25.92 | 21.65 | 19.79 | 20.34 | 18.37 | 21.98 | 25.59 | 26.57 | 25.92 | 31.17 | 32.15 | 31.50 | 34.46 | 30.84 | 31.82 | 31.17 | 34.78 | | 48.23 | 49.87 | 49.21 |
| ALTITUBE (FT) 50000. | 50200. | 50400. | 50500. | 50500. | 50800. | 50900. | 51000. | 51100. | 51200. | 51400 | 51500. | 51600. | 51700. | 51800. | 51900. | 32000. | 52100. | 52300 | 52400. | 52500. | 52600. | 52700. | 52800. | 52900. | 33000. F3400. | 53200 | 53300. | 53400. | 53500. | 53600. | 53700. | 53800. | 53900. | 34000. | | 5,000 | 58000. | 59000 | 60000 | 61000. | 62000. | . 00069 |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| DEW POINT (DEG C) -9999 00 -9999 00 -9999 00 -9999 00 | 00.00000000000000000000000000000000000 | 00.00000000000000000000000000000000000 | 00.00000000000000000000000000000000000 | 00 66666 0 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |
|--|--|---|--|--|
| DENSITY (GRAM/M3) 0.1038E+03 0.9734E+02 0.9271E+02 0.8773E+02 0.8302E+02 0.7931E+02 | 0.7542E+02 0.7175E+02 0.6842E+02 0.6494E+02 0.6192E+02 0.5951E+02 0.5680E+02 0.5424E+02 | · · · · · · · · · · · | 0.3140E+02 0.3008E+02 0.286EE+02 0.2726E+02 0.2459E+02 0.234EE+02 0.2132E+02 0.2132E+02 0.2132E+02 0.1929E+02 | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| PRESSURE (MILLIBARS) 0.6268E+02 0.5970E+02 0.5689E+02 0.5168E+02 0.5168E+02 | 0.4699E+02 0.4481E+02 0.4273E+02 0.4076E+02 0.388E+02 0.3708E+02 0.3372E+02 | <i></i> | 0.2023E+02 0.1932E+02 0.1845E+02 0.1762E+02 0.1638E+02 0.1538E+02 0.1406E+02 0.134E+02 0.1286E+02 | |
| TEMPERATURE (DEG C) -62.69 -59.49 -59.39 -57.89 -56.29 | | 24 2 2 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 | 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 | - 37.99 - 38.09 - 44.08 - 44.08 - 44.08 - 44.08 - 45.01 - 42.01 - 42.01 |
| WIND DIRECTION (DEG) 86.00 87.00 95.00 108.00 121.00 | 127.00 101.00 93.00 89.00 81.00 79.00 | 8 8 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 | 8 8 9 9 9 9 9 8 8 8 6 8 6 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 | 85.00 94.00 94.00 83.00 85.00 99.00 110.00 |
| WIND SPEED (FT/SEC) 46.92 46.92 47.24 48.56 48.23 | 37.07 34.12 37.40 43.96 46.92 46.92 55.45 61.02 | 65.29 69.23 70.87 70.21 66.27 60.04 | 57.09 62.66 66.27 72.18 81.04 84.97 73.16 67.91 | 62.99 63.65 65.96 65.29 67.52 67.52 64.14 52.30 52.33 67.52 |
| ALTITUDE (FT) (64000. (65000. (67000. (80000. | 70000. 71000. 72000. 73000. 75000. 76000. | 79000 8 20000 8 32000 8 3000 8 5000 8 5000 8 5000 | 8 8 90000 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 | 100000 101000 101000 101000 101000 101000 101000 111000 111000 111000 111000 |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| ALTITUDE | WIND SPEED | WIND DIRECTION | TEMPERATURE | PRESSURE | DENSI IY | DEW POINT |
|----------|------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| (11) | (FI/SEC) | (UEG) | (DEG C) | (MILLIBAKS) | (DM/MAXD) | (2 830) |
| 114000. | 74.25 | 94.00 | -40.8/ | 0.6331E+01 | 0.9495E+01 | 00.888 |
| 115000. | 75.95 | 93.00 | -40.31 | 0.6057E+01 | 0.9062E+01 | 00.8888- |
| 116000. | 79.33 | 92.00 | -38.45 | O.5796E+O1 | O. 8603E+01 | -9999.00 |
| 117000. | 82.71 | • | -36.44 | 5549E | | -9999.00 |
| 118000. | 87.76 | 93.00 | -34.52 | 0.5314E+01 | • | -9399.00 |
| 119000. | 92.81 | 93.00 | -32.60 | . 509 1E | | 00.8666- |
| 120000. | 99.57 | 00.10 | -30.66 | • | 0.7009E+01 | • |
| 121000. | 106.33 | 89.00 | -29.46 | • | | -9999.00 |
| 122000. | 113.06 | 88.00 | -29.24 | .4484E | | -9999.00 |
| 123000. | 116.44 | 89.00 | -26.32 | • | 0.6069E+01 | -9999.00 |
| 124000. | 118.14 | 89.00 | -22.75 | ٠ | | 00'6666- |
| 125000. | 119.82 | 90.00 | -20.41 | O.3961E+01 | 0.5460E+01 | -9999.00 |
| 126000. | 118.14 | 90.00 | -19.39 | 0.3804E+01 | O.5222E+01 | -9999.00 |
| 127000. | 114.76 | 91.00 | -18.46 | 0.3653E+01 | 0.4997E+01 | -9999.00 |
| 128000. | 111.38 | 92.00 | -17.58 | O.3509E+01 | O.4783E+01 | -9999.00 |
| 129000. | 109.71 | 94.00 | -16.72 | 0.3371E+01 | 0.4580E+01 | 00.8888- |
| 130000. | 108.01 | 95.00 | -15.84 | 0.3239E+01 | 0.4385E+01 | 00.6666- |
| 131000. | 108.01 | 94.00 | -14.95 | 0.3113E+01 | 0.4200E+01 | 00.6666- |
| 132000. | 111.38 | 92.00 | -14.72 | 0.2992E+01 | 0.4033E+01 | 00.6666- |
| 133000. | 113.06 | 93.00 | -15.38 | | O.3885E+O1 | -9999.00 |
| 134000. | 109.71 | 95.00 | -16.26 | 0.2763E+01 | 0.3747E+01 | 00.6666- |
| 135000 | 104 63 | 00 66 | -17.16 | | 0.3612E+01 | 00.8666- |
| 136000 | 50 66 | 102.00 | 17.60 | | 0.3476E+01 | |
| 137000 | 96.90 | 50 50 | -17 22 | | 0.33355+01 | 00 6666 |
| 138000 | | 35 | 12. 12. | 0.2354E+01 | 0.31976+01 | 00.6666- |
| 138000 | 00.00 | 38 | 10.00 | • | 0.30676.00 | 00.0000 |
| 139000. | 08.78 | 94.00 | 10.11 | | ٠ | 00.000 |
| 140000. | 101.25 | 88.00 | | • | | 00.000 |
| 141000. | 106.33 | 84.00 | | | 0.2819E+01 | 00.8888- |
| 142000. | 108.01 | 81.00 | -14.63 | | • | 00.888 |
| 143000. | 108.01 | 80.8/ | -14.12 | Ξ, | • | • |
| 144000. | • | 8.8 | • | Ξ, | • | 00.000 |
| 145000. | 114.76 | 88.00 | 13.22 | <u> </u> | • | 00.000 |
| 146000. | 109.71 | 95.00 | Ν. | ٦. | • | 00.8888- |
| 147000. | 101.25 | 94.00 | -12.55 | Ţ. ' | • | • |
| 148000. | 87.76 | 86.00 | -12.99 | ٦. | • | 00.8888- |
| 149000. | 101.25 | 92.00 | ෆ ් | Τ, | • | 00.8888- |
| 150000. | 109.71 | 94.00 | C) | Ξ. | | 00.8888- |
| 151000. | 113.06 | 86.00 | 4 | Ξ. | Ξ, | -9999 .00 |
| 152000. | 119.82 | 83.00 | -14.69 | Τ. | Ţ. ' | |
| 153000. | 116.44 | 91.00 | -15.07 | Τ. | | • |
| 154000. | 111.38 | 00.86 | -15.04 | ٠ | Τ, | 00.8666- |
| 155000. | 104.63 | 90.00 | -14.45 | 0.1201E+01 | O.1617E+01 | |
| 156000. | 114.76 | 80.00 | -13.85 | 0.1154E+01 | 0.1550E+01 | 00.8666- |
| 157000. | 140.09 | 77.00 | -13.23 | 0.1110E+01 | O.1488E+01 | • |
| 158000. | 146.82 | 77.00 | -12.68 | 0.1067E+01 | O.1427E+01 | • |
| 159000. | 141.77 | 80.00 | -12.10 | O.1026E+01 | Τ, | 00.8666- |
| 160000. | 150.20 | 80.00 | -11.50 | 0.9864E+00 | 0.1313E+01 | 00.6666- |
| 161000. | 155.25 | 79.00 | -11.04 | 0.9486E+00 | ٣. | • |
| 162000. | 143.44 | 80.00 | -10.54 | 0.9123E+00 | O. 1210E+01 | 00'6666- |
| 163000. | • | 80.00 | -8.84 | 0.8775E+00 | O. 1157E+01 | 00.6666- |
| | | | | | | |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

| ALTITUDE | WIND SPEED | WIND DIRECTION | TEMPERATURE | PRESSURE | DENSTTY | TATUS MAIN |
|----------|------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
| (FT) | _ | _ | (DEG C) | (MILLIBARS) | (GRAM/M3) | - 11 |
| 164000. | 140.09 | 81.00 | -7.13 | 0.8443E+00 | · • | |
| 165000 | 136 71 | 84.00 | EO 91 | 0.81255+00 | O 1060E±01 | 00.0000- |
| 166000. | 128.25 | 855.00 | 20:5 | 0.7820F+00 | | 00.6666- |
| 167000. | 126.57 | 81.00 | -6.12 | 0.7526E+00 | : | 00.8688- |
| 168000. | 145.14 | 77.00 | -6.28 | 0.7243E+00 | 0.9455E+00 | 00.666- |
| 169000. | 146.82 | 78.00 | -6.28 | 0.6971E+00 | | |
| 170000. | 138.39 | 82.00 | | 0.6709E+00 | | |
| 17 1000. | 128.25 | 83.00 | -8.68 | 0.6455E+00 | 0.8503E+00 | |
| 172000. | 124.90 | 78.00 | -10.71 | 0.6210E+00 | 0.8243E+00 | 00.8666- |
| 173000. | 128.25 | 73.00 | -12.63 | 0.5972E+00 | O.7986E+00 | |
| 174000. | 133.33 | 66.00 | - 14 . 55 | 0.5741E+00 | 0.7734E+00 | - |
| 175000. | 141.77 | 64.00 | -16.69 | 0.5518E+00 | 0.7496E+00 | -9999.00 |
| 176000. | 145.14 | 99 | -16.91 | 0.5302E+00 | 0.7208E+00 | -9999.00 |
| 177000. | 146.82 | 70.00 | -17.03 | 0.5095E+00 | | |
| 178000. | 150.20 | 75.00 | -17,18 | 0.4895E+00 | O.6662E+00 | 00.6666- |
| 179000. | 160.33 | 79.00 | -18.02 | 0.4704E+00 | 0.6423E+00 | |
| 180000. | 168.77 | 83.00 | -19.04 | 0.4519E+00 | 0.6195E+00 | |
| 181000. | 170.44 | 85.00 | -20.38 | 0.4340E+00 | 0.5981E+00 | |
| 182000. | 162.01 | 84.00 | -21.40 | 0.4168E+00 | 0.5768E+00 | 00.6666- |
| 183000. | 140.09 | 81.00 | -22.47 | 0.4002E+00 | 0.5562E+00 | |
| 184000. | 121.52 | 78.00 | -24.19 | 0.3842E+00 | | |
| 185000. | 111.38 | 74.00 | -23.82 | O.3687E+00 | | |
| 186000. | 116.44 | 73.00 | -22.25 | 0.3540E+00 | • | 00'6666- |
| 18/000. | 138.39 | 78.00 | -20.73 | 0.3399E+00 | • | |
| 188000. | 167.09 | 84.00 | -19.34 | O.3265E+00 | | 00.6666- |
| 189000. | 194.09 | 888.00 | -17.64 | O.3136E+00 | 0.4276E+00 | |
| 190000. | 204.20 | 00.10 | - 16, 55 | 0.3014E+00 | 0.4092E+00 | |
| 191000. | 199.15 | 96.00 | -16.44 | 0.2897E+00 | 0.3931E+00 | |
| 192000. | 162.28 | 30.50 | -16.20 | 0.2784E+00 | 0.3774E+00 | |
| 183000. | 163.71 | 00.00 | 13.94 | 0.2675E+00 | 0.3623E+00 | 00.8888- |
| 194000. | 130.20 | 20.02 | | 0.25/1E+00 | 0.34/2E+00 | |
| 198000 | 193.44 | 28.00 | 16.28 | 0.24/26+00 | 0.3353E+00 | 00.000 |
| 197000 | 20.07 | 141.00 | - 20 24 | 0.23/35+00 | 0.324306+00 | |
| 198000 | 109.71 | 146 00 | - 20.1 | 0.24816.00 | 0.30416+00 | |
| 199000. | 97.90 | 147.00 | -24:31 | 0,2103E+00 | 0.2944E+00 | 00.6666- |
| 200000. | 90'98 | 145.00 | -26.69 | 0.2019E+00 | 0.2854E+00 | 00.6666- |
| 201000. | | 139.00 | -27.87 | 0.1937E+00 | | |
| 202000. | 55.71 | 130.00 | | 0.1858E+00 | | |
| 203000. | 37.14 | 113.00 | -28.20 | 0.1782E+00 | 0.2534E+00 | |
| 204000. | | 78.00 | | Ξ. | - | |
| 205000. | 28.67 | 31.00 | | Τ. | | |
| 206000. | 42.19 | 00.6 | | Τ. | | |
| 207000. | 55.71 | 2.00 | 31. | 0.1508E+00 | • | |
| 208000. | | 358.00 | 32.6 | Ξ. | ٠ | |
| 209000. | 74.25 | 357.00 | | Τ, | • | - |
| 210000. | 81.00 | 359.00 | | | | - |
| 211000. | 0 (| 359.00 | | ٦. | Τ, ' | |
| 212000. | ຫຼາ | 0.4 | -37,59 | 0.1218E+00 | <u>.</u> . | 00.6666- |
| 213000. | 77.62 | 12.00 | -39,05 | 0.1166E+00 | 0.1735E+00 | -9999.00 |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

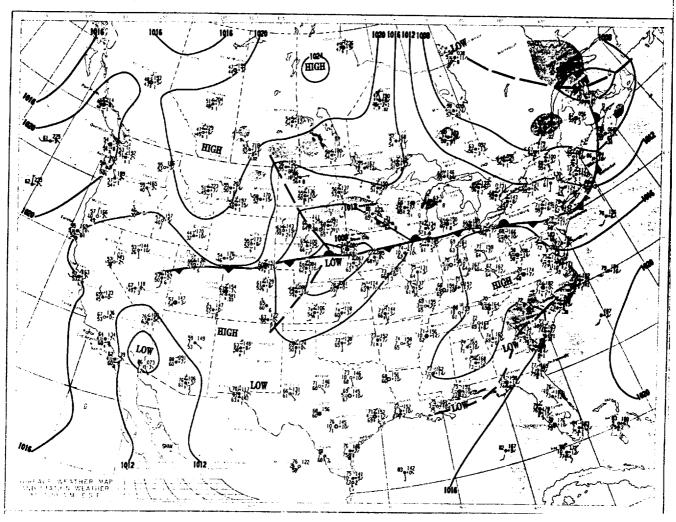
Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

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|--|---|--|---|--|--|
| DENS (GRAM (GRAM 1570E 1415E 1349E 1235E | 0.1118E-01 0.1071E-01 0.102E-01 0.9686E-02 0.9143E-02 0.8805E-02 0.823FE-02 | 7556 70356 66636 64956 62056 74116 | 0.3591E-02 0.3046E-02 0.2581E-02 0.2177E-02 0.1838E-02 0.139E-02 0.1123E-02 | 0.8126E-03 0.6921E-03 0.588E-03 0.4994E-03 0.4245E-03 0.3602E-03 0.360E-03 0.2600E-03 | 0.1891E-03 0.1616E-03 0.1382E-03 0.1181E-03 0.1011E-03 0.7709E-04 0.6724E-04 |
| PRESSU 8100E 8300E 8300E 7400E 7100E | 0.6000E-02 0.5700E-02 0.5400E-02 0.5100E-02 0.4800E-02 0.4300E-02 | 3900E 3400E 3300E 3300E 3165E 2793E | 0. 1920E-02 0. 1640E-02 0. 1400E-02 0. 1010E-02 0. 3640E-03 0. 7380E-03 0. 6330E-03 0. 5430E-03 | 0.4650E-03 0.3990E-03 0.3420E-03 0.2950E-03 0.2550E-03 0.2500E-03 0.1640E-03 0.1430E-03 | 0.1260E-03 0.1110E-03 0.9780E-04 0.8600E-04 0.7570E-04 0.6870E-04 0.6220E-04 0.5620E-04 |
| TEMPERATURE (DEG C) -80.15 -80.15 -81.15 -82.06 -82.58 -84.11 | -86.16 -87.68 -89.15 -90.25 -91.30 -91.30 | | -86.90 -85.61 -84.15 -81.69 -81.23 -79.77 -78.30 -76.80 | -73.80 -72.30 -70.81 -67.37 -63.89 -60.91 -56.91 -48.10 | -40.97 -33.83 -26.70 -12.33 -7.92 -7.92 -18.04 |
| WIND DIRECTION (DEG) 30.00 31.00 33.00 35.00 36.00 36.00 | 0.04 4 4 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 | | 279.50 273.75 271.91 270.62 270.33 270.18 270.17 | 270.13 270.09 270.04 269.92 269.78 269.56 269.20 | 268.89 268.25 267.29 265.64 266.05 261.90 258.13 |
| WIND SPEED (FT/SEC) 109.71 106.33 102.95 97.90 96.19 92.81 | 86.06 84.38 81.00 79.33 75.95 74.25 70.87 | 70.87 72.57 74.25 65.07 37.52 9.99 | 45.14 96.37 156.71 218.12 274.43 316.47 336.03 348.69 | 352.69 337.99 306.69 315.42 319.36 296.99 262.98 | 240.07 232.72 215.73 186.04 140.98 137.35 129.74 117.24 |
| ALTITUDE (FT) 264000. 265000. 266000. 267000. 268000. 270000. | 271000. 273000. 274000. 275000. 276000. 277000. | 279000. 280000. 281000. 282000. 286000. 299000. | 295000. 298000. 301000. 304000. 310000. 316000. | 322000. 325000. 324000. 334000. 340000. 343000. | 349000. 352000. 355000. 364000. 367000. 373000. |

Table 5. STS-43 ascent atmospheric data profile (continued).

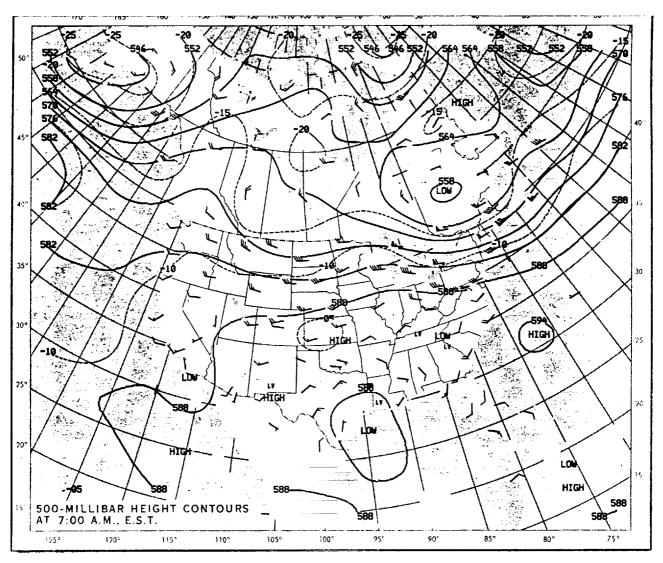
| DEW POINT | (DEG C) | 00.6866- | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00.6666- | 00'6666- | 00.6666- | 00.6666- |
|----------------|-------------|------------|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| DENSITY | (GRAM/M3) | 0.5123E-04 | 0.4508E-04 | 0.3997E-04 | 0.3557E-04 | 0.3173E-04 | 0.2849E-04 | 0.2554E-04 | 0.2304E-04 | 0.2085E-04 |
| PRESSURE | (MILLIBARS) | 0.4580E-04 | 0.4170E-04 | 0.3830E-04 | 0.3530E-04 | O.3260E-04 | 0.3030E-04 | 0.2810E-04 | 0.2620E-04 | 0.2450E-04 |
| TEMPERATURE | (DEG C) | 38.28 | 49.08 | 60.66 | 72.58 | 84.81 | 97.32 | 110.07 | 123.04 | 136.19 |
| WIND DIRECTION | (DEG) | 238.21 | 243.22 | 239.74 | 236.07 | 232,33 | 228.51 | 224.69 | 220.90 | 217.19 |
| MINO COREO | (FT/SEC) | 76.11 | 13 (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) | 53.45 | 53.66 | 54 17 | 55.02 | 56.21 | 57.73 | 59.59 |
| AL TITIOE | (FT) | 376000 | 379000 | 382000 | 385000 | 388000 | 391000 | 394000 | 397000 | 400000 |

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Surface synoptic map at 1200 u.t. August 2, 1991—isobaric, frontal, and precipitation patterns are shown in standard symbolic form.

Figure 1. Surface synoptic chart 3 h 2 min before the launch of STS-43.



500-mb height Contours at 1200 u.t.

August 2, 1991

Continuous lines indicate height contours at feet above sea level.

Dashed lines are isotherms in degrees centigrade. Arrows show wind direction and speed at the 500-mb level.

Figure 2. 500-mb map 3 h 2 min before the launch of STS-43.



Figure 3. GOES-7 visible imagery of cloud cover 1 min before the launch of STS-43 (1501 u.t., August 2, 1991). 500-mb heights (meters) and wind barbs are also included for 1200 u.t.

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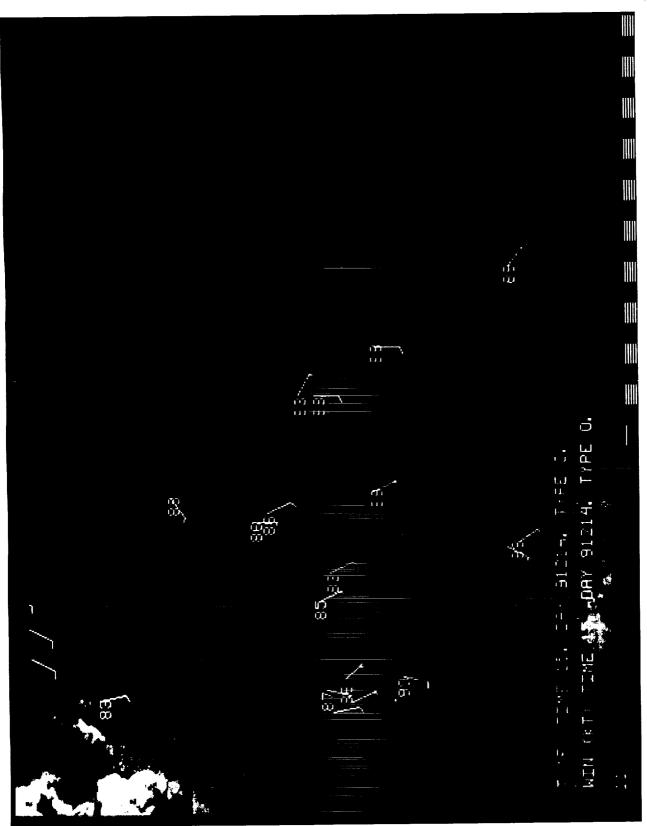


Figure 4. Enlarged view of GOES-7 visible imagery of cloud cover taken 1 min before the launch of STS-43 (1501 u.t., August 2, 1991). Surface temperatures and wind barbs for 1500 u.t. are also included.

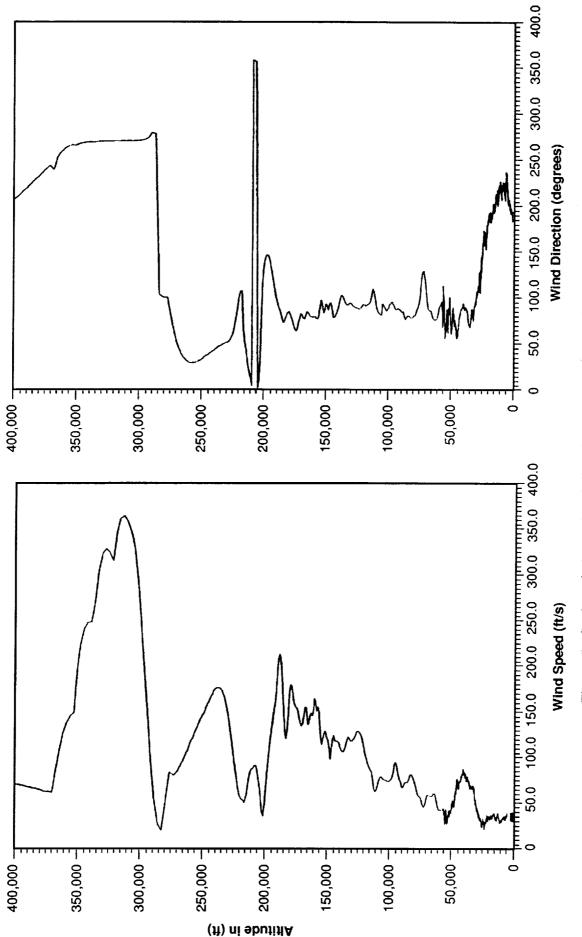
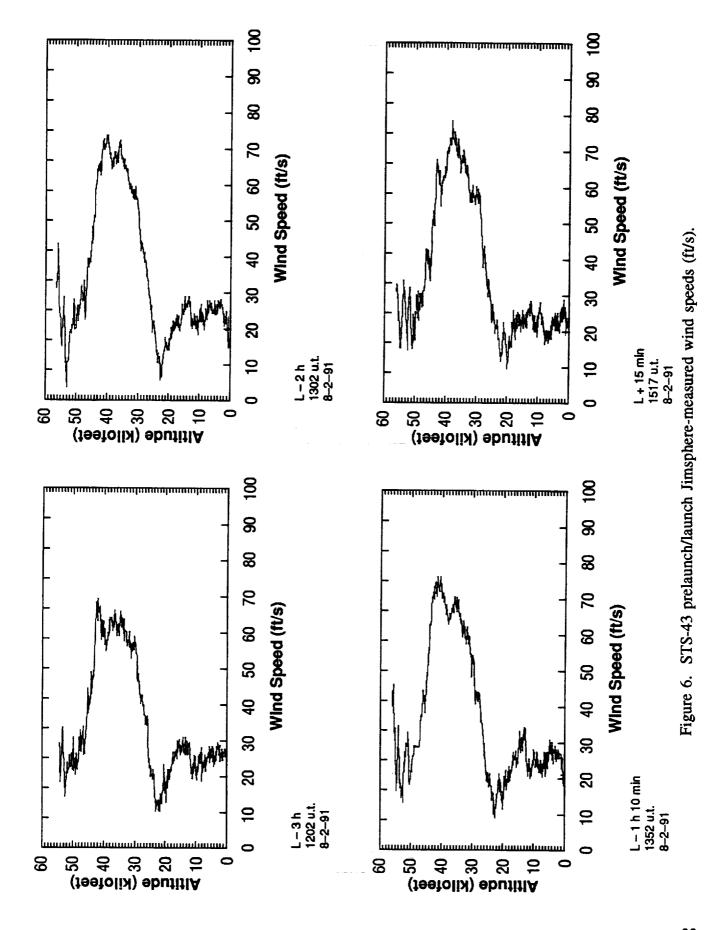
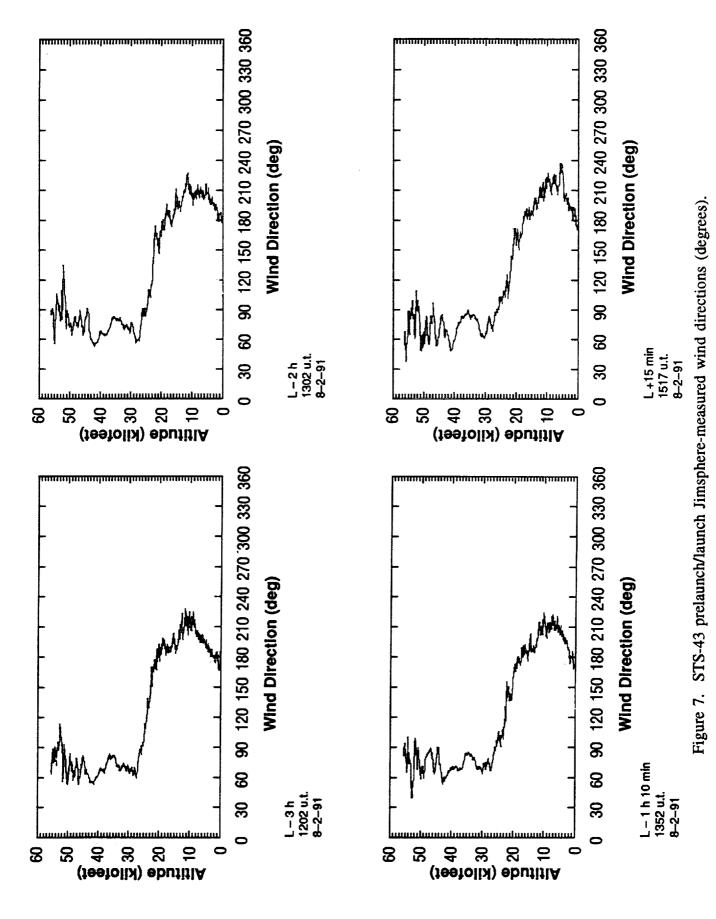


Figure 5. Scalar wind speed and direction at launch time of STS-43.





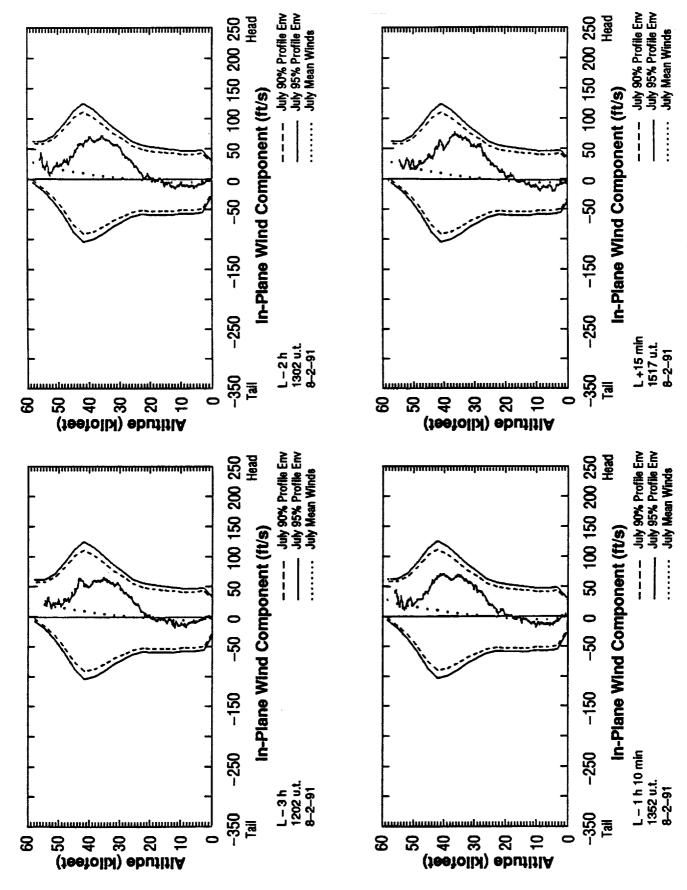


Figure 8. STS-43 prelaunch/launch Jimsphere-measured in-plane component winds (ft/s). Flight azimuth = 90°.

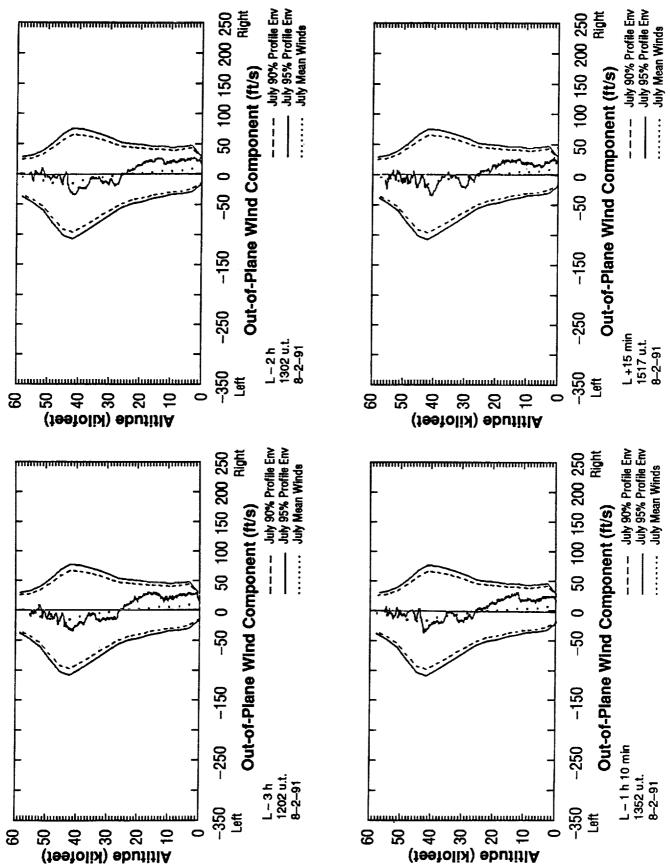


Figure 9. STS-43 prelaunch/launch Jimsphere-measured out-of-plane component winds (ft/s). Flight azimuth = 90°.

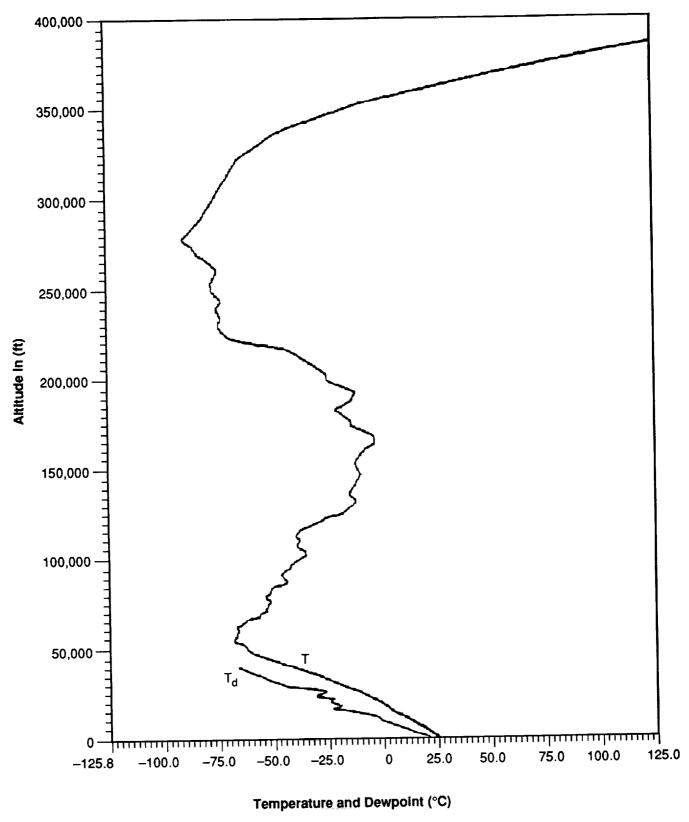


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